







*The Sixty-seventh Annual Report*

of the

**Officers**

of the

**Town Of Millis**



for the

**Year Ending December 31**

**1952**

D. C. COLLINS Co., Millis, Massachusetts





**TOWN OFFICERS — 1952**

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<b>Moderator</b>	<b>Rudolph F. King</b>
<b>Town Clerk</b>	<b>Lloyd C. King</b>
<b>Town Treasurer</b>	<b>Leonard W. Lindahl</b>
<b>Tax Collector</b>	<b>Joseph F. English</b>

**Selectmen**

<b>Morris Mushnick, 1953</b>	<b>Horace V. Balkam, 1954</b>
<b>Michael E. Collins, 1955</b>	

**Assessors**

<b>George Y. Robinson, 1953</b>	<b>Mildred B. LaCroix, 1954</b>
<b>George D. Cassidy, 1955</b>	

**Public Welfare**

<b>Thomas J. Clancy, 1953</b>	<b>Merle A. Browne, 1954</b>
<b>Adam P. Consoletti</b>	

**School Committee**

<b>Hugh J. McCarthy, Jr., 1953</b>	<b>Gertrude W. Weinstein, 1954</b>
<b>Earle H. Merkle, 1954</b>	<b>Robert W. McDonough, 1955</b>
<b>Frederick A. Welch, 1955</b>	

**Water Commissioners**

<b>Paul T. Clancy, 1953</b>	<b>C. Leslie Simpson, 1954</b>
<b>Raymond D. Woodmansee, 1955</b>	

**Sewer Commissioners**

Lloyd C. King, 1953

George DeAngelis, 1954

George Sarris, 1955

**Park Commissioners**

George W. Duhamel, 1953

Arthur M. Smith, 1954

Robert J. Collins, 1955

**Cemetery Commissioners**

Floyd A. Russell, 1953

Rudolph F. King, 1954

Walter W. Hoar, 1955

**Library Trustees**

Martin Power, 1953

Bertha L. Shepardson, 1954

Florence R. Gilboy, 1955

**Constables**

Henry J. Cassidy

John F. Sullivan

**Tree Warden**

Arthur M. Smith

**Planning Board**

Charles S. Dukelow, 1953

Harold E. Voye, 1953

Albert W. Hunt, 1954

Dalton H. Wein, 1954

Philip J. Gavin, Sr., 1955

**Chief of Police**

John M. Gately



**COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR****Finance Committee**

Stephen Paine

James J. Clancy

Thomas S. Lydon

Raymond E. Simpson

Louis Thorne

**Smoke and Odor Nuisance Committee**

Harry N. Walker

John Ellington

John J. Ward

**Special Committee on School Building**

Frederick J. Welch

Hugh J. McCarthy, Jr.

Anthony P. Meleski

Mrs. Rose Zalvan<sup>°</sup>Samuel J. Howie<sup>°</sup>

Charles F. Mandell

Stuart M. King

Edward I. Mael

Mrs. Gertrude Kenney

Robert Morse

William R. Porter

Note:— <sup>°</sup>Resigned**General Town Survey Committee**

Raymond Simpson

Charles A. Smith

James Clark

William A. Flynn

Daniel Murphy

Frank A. Royce

Morris Mael

**Remodeling of Town Offices Committee**

Morris Mushnick

Horace V. Balkam

Michael E. Collins

W. Harold Simpson

Stephen Paine

**Memorial Day Committee**

Gardner Rice

Harold E. Curran

Thomas F. Smith

Anthony Bando

Adam P. Consoletti

Patrick McLaughlin

Robert N. Leslie

Philip J. Gavin, Jr.

William R. Porter, Jr.

James F. Clark, Jr.

Julius Doliner

Frederick J. Welch

Merle A. Browne

Walter W. Hoar

Richard F. Clancy

John E. Murphy

Joseph Johnson

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**OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN****Town Accountant**

Lawrence J. Reardon, 1953

**Registrars of Voters**

William J. Christian, 1954

Sidney W. Choate, 1953

Daniel L. Murphy, 1955

**Public Weighers**

Morris Mushnick

Joseph Winiker

**Board of Fire Engineers**

John J. Ward

Moody J. Richardson

Arthur B. Watson



**Fence Viewers**

Elbridge Clark

Moody J. Richardson

**Surveyors of Wood and Lumber**

Otto Lindahl

Frank Hamm

**Inspector of Slaughtering**

Timothy J. McCarthy

**Sealer of Weights and Measures**

John J. Ward

**Forest Warden**

Moody J. Richardson

**Cattle Inspector**

Timothy J. McCarthy

**Milk Inspector**

Philip J. Gavin, Jr.

**Field Driver**

John M. Gately

**Dog Officer**

Henry J. Cassidy

**Superintendent of Streets**

William F. Cunningham

**Director of Veterans Service**

Philip J. Gavin, Jr.

**Special Police**

John F. Sullivan

Carl E. Bennett

Henry J. Cassidy

Thomas J. Cassidy

Thomas J. Norton

William F. Cunningham

Morris Mushnick

Michael E. Collins

Horace V. Balkam

**Wire Inspector**

Raymond D. Woodmansee

**Agent of Board of Health**

John M. Gately

**Zoning Law Appeal Board**

William F. Wright

Anthony P. Meleski

Charles E. Inches

Manuel Rosen

Howard Payson

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**RESULTS OF THE VOTE CAST AT THE  
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION**

**February 11, 1952**

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Moderator, one year, Rudolph F. King	786
Town Clerk, one year, Lloyd C. King	797
Treasurer, one year, Leonard W. Lindahl	775
Tax Collector, two years, Joseph F. English	812
Board of Public Welfare, three years	
James Frederick Clark	429
Adam P. Consoletti	485
Blanks	59
Assessor, three years	
George D. Cassidy	554
James B. White	382
Blanks	37



Selectman, three years	
Michael E. Collins	590
James Robert McDonough	359
Blanks	24
School Committee, three years	
John Ellington	284
Charles F. Mandell	343
Robert W. McDonough	345
Frederick J. Welch	719
Blanks	23
School Committee, two years	
Earl H. Merkle	568
Edward P. Tamuleviz	308
Blanks	97
Library Trustee, three years	
Janet E. A. Freeman	266
Florence L. Gilboy	637
Blanks	70
Cemetery Commissioner, three years, Walter W. Hoar	811
Water Commissioner, three years, Raymond D. Woodmansee	756
Sewer Commissioner, three years, George Sarris	767
Park Commissioner, three years, Robert J. Collins	743
Planning Board, three years	
Moody J. Richardson	1
Harold J. Curma	6
Howard A. Payson	2
George M. Payson	1
Harold V. Voye	1
Edwin F. Faris	1

William O'Brien	1
Arthur M. Smith	1
Philip J. Gavin, Sr.	9
Francis X. Murphy	1
Frank L. McDonough	2
Aaron Karoghlanian	1
Thomas S. Lydon	1
John M. Gately	2
Charles Van S. Purdy	1
J. Francis Sheehan	1
Stuart M. King	2
Lewis R. Minor	2
William F. Wright	1
Leonard W. Lindahl	1
John F. Sheehan	2
George E. Harris	1
Lindol French, Jr.	1
Daniel L. Murphy	1
Henry J. Cassidy	2
Henry Lewandowski	1
Paul E. Smith	1
Walter M. Hoar	1
Julius Doliner	1
Stephen Dmytryck	1
Herbert F. Works	1

### Constables, one year

Henry J. Cassidy	836
John F. Sullivan	784



February 13, 1952

To the Town Clerk or

The Board of Registrars:

We the undersigned voters of Millis, Mass., present that we have reason to believe and do believe that the returns of the Election Officers of the said Millis, Mass., of the vote cast at the election of February 11, 1952 for the office of School Committee for three years are erroneous in this respect, that Robert W. McDonough was credited with more and Charles F. Mandell, was credited with less votes than was actually cast for them; and we believe a recount of the votes cast in said Town will affect the election of one or more candidates at such election. We, therefore, ask that the votes cast for said office of School Committee for three years as aforesaid be recounted.

<i>Voter's Name</i>	<i>Residence January 1, 1952</i>
Paul W. Gavin	149 Plain Street
George A. Fisher	Main Street
Theresa E. Fisher	Main Street
Betsey C. Thorne	Plain Street
Alfreda M. Clark	Causeway Street
Edna Simpson	Union Street
Clark C. Thorne	64 Plain Street
Beulah E. Thorne	64 Plain Street
Paul V. Duhamel	Village Street
Edward W. Cunningham	Plain Street
George D. Clancy	Exchange Street
Henry V. McCarthy	21 Curve Street
Edwin R. Faris	117 Curve Street

Millis, Mass., February 14, 1952.

Personally appeared before me Paul V. Duhamel and took oath that the above statement was true to the best of his knowledge.

LLOYD C. KING,  
*Notary Public.*

Filed February 14, 1952, at 12:15 P.M.

LLOYD C. KING

*Town Clerk*

February 16, 1952.

To Lloyd C. King.

Town Clerk of Millis, Mass.

This certifies that we, the Board of Registrars of the Town of Millis, have this day made a recount of the ballots cast at the Annual Town Election held February 11, 1952, for School Committee for three years, the result of which is as follows:

John Ellington	284
Charles F. Mandell	343
Robert W. McDonough	347
Frederick J. Welch	718
Blanks	<u>22</u>

(Signed)

SIDNEY W. CHOATE

WILLIAM J. CHRISTIAN

DANIEL L. MURPHY

*Board of Registrars.*



## RECORD OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

### Held in the High School Auditorium

**Millis, Massachusetts, Monday, February 18, 1952**

The Annual Business Meeting of the Town of Millis was held Monday evening February 18, 1952 in the High School Auditorium and called to order by the Moderator Rudolph F. King at 7:30 P.M. The Warrant was read calling the meeting which was signed by the Board of Selectmen Morris Mushnick, Horace V. Badkam and Michael E. Collins. Attest: Henry J. Cassidy Constable.

There being no objections offered the reading of the various Articles at this time was omitted to be read and acted upon individually.

The Annual Town Election of Officers was held in the High School Auditorium, Monday, February 11, 1952 at which time and place Article 1 of the Warrant was disposed of which reads as follows:

ARTICLE 1—To choose a Moderator for one year, a Town Clerk for one year, a Town Treasurer for one year, two Constables for one year, one Selectman for three years, one Member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years, one Member of the Planning Board for three years, one Assessor for three years, two School Committeemen for three years, one School Committeeman for two years, one Trustee of Public Library for three years, one Park Commissioner for three years, one Sewer Commissioner for three years, one Water Commissioner for three years, one Tax Collector for two years.

whereupon it was here omitted and business proceeded directly to Article 2.

ARTICLE 2—To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

After the School Committee stated there were no unpaid 1951

bills, which information was requested by a citizen, it was VOTED to accept the reports of the various Town Officers and Committees.

ARTICLE 3—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of law and order, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Motion made that the sum of \$7,000.00, be appropriated for the maintenance of Law and Order.

Amended Motion made that the sum of \$7,000.00, be increased to \$7,500.00, for the maintenance of Law and Order and that the Selectmen be instructed that \$4,000.00 of this be used for the salary of the Chief of Police for 1952.

After discussion the Amended Motion was VOTED.

VOTED that the sum of \$7,500.00 be appropriated for the maintenance of Law and Order for the year 1952, and that the Selectmen be instructed that \$4,000.00 of this be used for the salary of the Chief of Police for 1952.

ARTICLE 4—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of seven (7) to act in making a general survey of all Town Departments and report on or before the next Annual Town Meeting, or act in any manner relating thereto.

After a motion was presented, citizen Raymond Simpson explained in detail the reason for this Article, thereupon it was VOTED that the Moderator be authorized to appoint a committee of seven (7) to act in making a general survey of all Town Departments and report on or before the next Annual Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 5—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$1,000.00 for the Library Department, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$800.00 be appropriated for the Library Department.

ARTICLE 6—To appropriate money for all necessary expenses,



including a sum sufficient to pay all Town Officers' salaries.

Moderator stated that with no objections offered he would proceed as in past years by calling each item in a group followed by the Finance Committee recommendation and vote collectively at the end of each group which method was followed.

**Departments:**

School Department	\$108,000.00
Debt and Interest	8,500.00
Highways and Bridges	14,200.00
Water Department	14,000.00
Old Age Assistance in addition to Federal Grant	36,000.00
Welfare Department Administration in addition to Federal Grant	2,300.00
Aid to Dependent Children in addition to Federal Grant	8,000.00
General Relief	5,700.00
Total Disability in addition to Federal Grant (New Category)	2,000.00
Soldiers' Relief	3,000.00
Fire Department	7,000.00
Street Lights	4,800.00
Snow Removal	5,500.00
Cemetery	2,500.00
Sewer Maintenance	2,300.00
Park Department—	
Motion made that \$1,200.00 be appropriated.	
Amended motion that \$1,200.00 be increased to \$1,750.00 was LOST.	1,200.00
Memorial Park	100.00
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	\$225,100.00

VOTED collectively that the amounts recommended under the Town Departments totalling \$225,100.00, be appropriated.

**Expenses of Town Officers: Salaries:**

Tax Collector	775.00
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Accountant	600.00
Assessors	720.00
Treasurer	450.00
Selectmen	300.00
Inspector of Slaughtering	

Motion made that \$400.00 be appropriated. Motion amended that \$400.00 be increased to \$480.00.

Vote on the amended motion being doubted, the following Teller were appointed: Laurence Mott, Francis O'Rourke, Anthony Meleski; and by rising count "Yes 118": "No 12": the amended motion was VOTED

VOTED that \$480.00 be appropriated for

Inspector of Slaughtering	480.00
Fire Commissioners	200.00
Water Commissioners	200.00
Water Registrar	200.00
Sewer Commissioner	100.00
School Committee	250.00
Animal Inspector	150.00
Election Officers	300.00
Town Office Janitor	100.00
Welfare Board	250.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	50.00
Milk Inspector	50.00
Board of Registrars	45.00
Town Clerk	175.00
Wire Inspector	100.00
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	\$5,495.00

VOTED collectively that the amounts recommended under Town Officers Salaries totalling \$5,495.00, be appropriated.

#### **Town Officers' Expenses**

Town Office	\$5,000.00
Accountant	75.00



Treasurer	350.00
Treasurer—( Tax Titles )	25.00
Tax Collector	600.00
Tax Collector—( Tax Takings )	50.00
Election Officers	600.00
Tax Assessors	850.00
Town Clerk	350.00
Board of Registrars	225.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	53.00
Water Registrar	150.00
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	\$8,328.00

VOTED collectively that the amounts recommended under Town OFFICERS' EXPENSES totaling \$8,328.00, be appropriated.

Grand Total—Article 6	<hr/> \$238,923.00
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ARTICLE 7—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,775.00 for the salary of the Visiting Nurse for the year 1952; said appropriation is in no way to be construed as meaning that the Association has to furnish any free service to any category of public assistance, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$1,775.00 be appropriated for the salary of the Visiting Nurse for the year 1952; said appropriation in no way to be construed as meaning that the Association has to furnish any free service to any category of public assistance.

ARTICLE 8—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the Tree Department, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$1,500.00, be appropriated for the Tree Department.

ARTICLE 9—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tree Warden to work for the Tree Department and be paid on an hourly basis, the Town to set the hourly rate of pay, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Tree Warden be allowed to work for the Tree Department and to be paid on an hourly basis at the prevailing hourly wage for Town employees; funds for same to be applied against appropriation under Article 8—Tree Department.

ARTICLE 10—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the use of the Board of Health, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$1,500.00 be appropriated for the use of the Board of Health.

ARTICLE 11—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for special repairs on such streets as are selected by the Massachusetts Highway Commission acting in conjunction with the State and County, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$700.00 be appropriated for special repairs on such streets as are selected by the Massachusetts Highway Commission acting in conjunction with the State and County.

ARTICLE 12—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money, said sum being the portion of the expense incurred and apportioned by the County Commissioners for the care and maintenance of Norfolk County Hospital, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$4,500.00 be appropriated for the portion of the expense incurred and apportioned by the County Commissioners for the care and maintenance of Norfolk County Hospital.

ARTICLE 13—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Service Board, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Town appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the maintenance of the Service Board.

ARTICLE 14—To see if the Town will vote to continue a Department for the furnishing of information, advice and assistance to veterans of World War II or other veterans as specified in Chapter 115 as inserted by Section 1 of Chapter 584 acts of 1946 and



that this Department headed by a Director of Veterans' Services be merged with that of Veterans' Agent and that the Selectmen make one appointment for the offices of Director of Veterans' Services and Veterans' Agent as allowed by Chapter 115, as amended and that said Director of Veterans' Services and Veterans' Agent shall report annually a list of cases handled, disbursements made and other activities. Said report to be printed in the Annual Town Report, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED to continue a Department for the furnishing of information, advice and assistance to veterans of World War II, or other veterans as specified in Chapter 115, as inserted by Section 1 of Chapter 584 acts of 1946 and that this Department headed by a Director of Veterans' Services be merged with that of Veterans' Agent and that the Selectmen make one appointment for the offices of Director of Veterans' Services and Veterans' Agent as allowed by Chapter 115, as amended and that said Director of Veterans' Services and Veterans' Agent shall report annually a list of cases handled, disbursements made and other activities; said report to be printed in the Annual Town Report, and that the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,250.00 for salary and expenses of this Agent.

ARTICLE 15—To see if the Town will vote to accept the Burnett-Willard Cemetery Trust Fund of July 1951, or act in any manner relating thereto. \$100.00

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Campsey-Ives Cemetery Trust Fund of April 1951, or act in any manner relating thereto. \$100.00

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Wm. H. Woolner Cemetery Trust Fund of December 1951, or act in any manner relating thereto. \$150.00

To see if the Town will vote to accept the William B. Esselen Cemetery Trust Fund of January 14, 1952, or act in any manner relating thereto. \$100.00

Total

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\$450.00

VOTED to accept the four Trust Funds as totalling \$450.00 of  
Burnett-Willard of July 1951  
Campsey-Ives of April 1951  
Wm. H. Woolner of December 1951  
William B. Esselen of January 14, 1952

ARTICLE 16—To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Lot and Grave account for the upkeep of the Cemetery, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$700.00, be transferred from the Lot and Grave Account for the upkeep of the Cemetery.

ARTICLE 17—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the collection and disposal of garbage, this sum to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Health Department, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$1,200.00, be appropriated for the collection and disposal of garbage, this sum to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Health Department.

ARTICLE 18—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for use of the Planning Board, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Town appropriate the sum of \$100.00, for use of the Planning Board.

ARTICLE 19—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Adult Evening Practical Art courses or take any action thereon.

VOTED that the sum of \$300.00 be appropriated for Adult Evening Practical Art courses.

ARTICLE 20—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Water Department for the purpose of constructing a pumping station for laying water mains of not less than 6 inches but less than 16 inches in diameter and for the development of additional well fields including wells, pipes and original pumping station equipment determine whether the money shall be



provided for by taxation, by transfer from available funds or by borrowing under Chapter 44 General Laws or act in any manner relating thereto.

By rising count "Yes 203 — No 0", it was unanimously VOTED that the Town raise and appropriate \$25,500.00 for the Water Department for the purpose of constructing a pumping station, for laying water mains of not less than 6 inches but less than 16 inches in diameter and for the development of additional well fields including wells, pipes and original pumping station equipment, and that \$1,000.00 be raised in the Tax Levy of the current year and that the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow \$24,500.00, and issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, payable in accordance with Chapter 44 of the General Laws so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than fifteen (15) years from issue of the first bond or note.

ARTICLE 21 — To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Water Department for reconditioning the electric pump at the old pumping station, for renovation of the old pumping station heating system and for a new well screen on existing pump suction; determine whether the money shall be raised by taxation or transfer from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$4,000.00 be appropriated for the Water Department for renovation of the old pumping station and heating system, and for a new well screen on existing pump suction.

ARTICLE 22 — To see if the Town will vote to extend the 6 inch water main on Forest Road to connect two dead ends a distance of approximately 582 feet and appropriate money for same or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$2,800.00 be appropriated to extend the 6 inch water main on Forest Road to connect two dead ends a distance of approximately 582 feet.

ARTICLE 23 — To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to appoint their own Water Registrar, or act in any manner relating thereto.

**VOTED** that the Board of Water Commissioners be authorized to appoint their own Water Registrar.

**ARTICLE 24**—To see if the Town will vote to extend the 6-inch water main on Cottage Avenue a distance of approximately 150 feet and on proposed Cottage Avenue to the residence of J. Howard Sarris, a distance of approximately 750 feet and appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

**VOTED** to dismiss this Article.

**ARTICLE 25**—To see if the Town will vote to extend the 6-inch water main on Birch Street, off Forest Road to the residence of Karl Walter, a distance of approximately 800 feet and appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

**VOTED** to dismiss this Article.

**ARTICLE 26**—To see if the Town will vote to extend the 6-inch water main on Pleasant Street, through Baltimore Street to the residence of Joseph Winiker a distance of approximately 3,000 feet and appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

**VOTED** to dismiss this Article.

**ARTICLE 27**—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the suppression of Gypsy Moth and Brown Tail Moth and Elm Leaf Beetle, or act in any manner relating thereto.

**VOTED** that the Town appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00, for the suppression of Gypsy Moth and Brown Tail Moth and Elm Leaf Beetle.

**ARTICLE 28**—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to provide post quarters for the Millis Post No. 208, the American Legion (as provided under General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 9, as amended by Acts of 1923, Chapter 122), or act in any manner relating thereto.

**VOTED** that the Town appropriate the sum of \$600.00, to provide post quarters for the Millis Post No. 208, the American Legion (as provided under General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 9, as amended



by Acts of 1923, Chapter 122).

ARTICLE 29—To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$500.00, be appropriated for Memorial Day.

ARTICLE 30—To see if the Town will vote to continue the committee appointed by the Moderator for the purpose of planning a memorial to members of the Armed services who served in World War II the committee to report at a future Town Meeting or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED to continue the Committee appointed by the Moderator for the purpose of planning a memorial to members of the Armed services who served in World War II the committee to report at a future Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 31—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a supervised summer recreational program, or take any other action thereon.

VOTED that the sum of \$480.00 be appropriated for a supervised summer recreational program.

ARTICLE 32—To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,048.20 from the inactive road machinery account to the active road machinery account to be used for Road Machinery purposes, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$2,048.20 be transferred from the inactive road machinery account to the active road machinery account to be used for Road Machinery purposes.

ARTICLE 33—To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the overlay reserve a sum of money to be used for a reserve fund, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$6,500.00, be transferred from the overlay reserve to be used for a Reserve Fund.

ARTICLE 34—To see if the Town will vote that the money re-

funded by the County on account of Dog Licenses, be transferred to the Town Treasury instead as of formerly to the Library Department, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the money refunded by the County on account of Dog Licenses be used by the Library Department.

ARTICLE 35—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,261.60, said sum being the 1951 pension cost to the Town of Millis, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$2,261.60 be appropriated for the 1951 pension cost to the Town of Millis.

ARTICLE 36—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for the upkeep of the Town Clock, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$100.00 be appropriated for the upkeep of the Town Clock.

ARTICLE 37—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the control of the Dutch Elm Disease, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$800.00, be appropriated for the control of the Dutch Elm Disease.

ARTICLE 38—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay unpaid Vocational Tuition bills of 1951 and appropriate a sum of money to pay anticipated bills for the year 1952, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$660.00, be appropriated to pay unpaid Vocational Tuition bills of 1951 and to pay anticipated bills for the year 1952.

ARTICLE 39—To see if the Town will vote to replace the 1946 Chevrolet School Bus by the purchase of a new bus with the allowance on the old bus to be applied against the purchase price, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Town appropriate the sum of \$4,500.00, for the purchase of a new School Bus and the allowance on the old bus to be applied against the purchase price.

ARTICLE 40—To see if the Town will vote to transfer money of George Barden Fund to Evening Practical Arts Account or take any action thereon.

VOTED that the money of the George Barden Fund be transferred to the Evening Practical Arts Account.

ARTICLE 41—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of \$5,500.00 for the insurance account or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$5,500.00 be appropriated for the Insurance Account.

ARTICLE 42—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the sewer system on Irving Street, from Union Street to Daniels Street; determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED to dismiss this Article.

ARTICLE 43—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the sewer system from Main Street to Spring Street to the property owned by John H. and Helen Clancy; determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation from available funds in the Treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Voice vote to dismiss this Article being doubted, by rising count "Yes 64"; "No 48", it was VOTED to dismiss this Article.

ARTICLE 44—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the sewer system on Exchange Street from Van Kleeck Road to the home of Lawrence Reardon; determine whether the money shall be provided by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury,



or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED to dismiss this Article.

ARTICLE 45—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the sewer system on Van Kleeck Road to the residence of Henry Morgan; determine whether the money shall be provided by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

By rising count "Yes 97" — "No 17" it was VOTED to transfer

\$9,000.00 from Sewer Construction account

5,000.00 from Sewer Extension account

totalling \$14,000.00, to extend the sewer system on Van Kleeck Road to the residence of Henry Morgan.

ARTICLE 46—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to buy a standard set of Flexible Sewer-Rod Equipment for the Sewer Department, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$1,000.00 be appropriated to purchase a standard set of Flexible Sewer-Rod Equipment for the Sewer Department.

ARTICLE 47—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Sewer Commissioners to appoint one of their members to the position of Superintendent of Sewers and to fix his salary, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4A Chapter 41 of the General Laws, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Town authorize the Sewer Commissioners to appoint one of their members to the position of Superintendent of Sewers and to fix his salary at \$300.00 funds for same to be applied against Sewer Maintenance appropriation under Article 6.

ARTICLE 48—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to appoint their own clerks of their board and appropriate a sum of money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Town authorize the Board of Assessors to appoint their own clerks of the board, money for the same to be applied against the Assessor's expenses appropriated under Article 6.

ARTICLE 49—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay unpaid bills of 1951 Service Board Fund as follows:

Max Stayman	\$8.00
Joseph Johnson	31.00
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	\$39.00

or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Town appropriate the sum of \$39.00 to pay unpaid bills of 1951 Service Board Fund as follows:

Max Stayman	\$8.00
Joseph Johnson	31.00

ARTICLE 50—To see if the Town will vote to change the name of Wight Street to Larch Road, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Town change the name of Wight Street to Larch Road.

ARTICLE 51—To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of \$750.00, for the purchase of fire hose, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Town appropriate the sum of \$750.00, for the purchase of fire hose.

ARTICLE 52—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a fire truck, the 1936 truck allowance to be applied to purchase price, determine whether the money shall be provided by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Town appropriate the sum of \$11,500.00, for

the purchase of a Fire Truck, the allowance on the 1936 truck to be applied against the purchase price of the new truck.

ARTICLE 53—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$3,000.00, for resurfacing Main Street from Plain Street to Auburn Road under Chapter 90 Highway Construction, or take any action in relation thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$3,000.00, be appropriated for resurfacing Main Street from Plain Street to Auburn Road under Chapter 90 Highway Construction.

ARTICLE 54—To see if the Town will vote to use the sum of money now in the Post War Fund, that sum now being \$3,474.45, in cash and \$3,000.00, in Government Bonds, a total of \$6,474.45 for the remodeling of the Town offices, or act in any manner relating thereto.

After discussion—

MOTION made and LOST to use the sum of money now in the Post War Fund.—\$3,474.45 in cash and \$3,000.00, in Government Bonds, --total \$6,474.45 for remodeling the Town offices, said money to be spent under the Board of Selectmen and two other citizens to be appointed by the Moderator.

ARTICLE 55—To see if the Town will vote to replace the 1939 G.M.C. Dump Truck by the purchase of a new truck and the allowance on the old truck to be applied against the purchase price, appropriate money for same or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED to dismiss this Article.

ARTICLE 56—To see if the Town will vote to transfer the cash balance from various departments into general cash, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED to transfer the cash balance from various departments into general cash.

ARTICLE 57—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction and



Maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

VOTED that the Town transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction and Maintenance.

ARTICLE 58—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highway Construction and Maintenance or take any action in relation thereto.

VOTED that the Town transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highway Construction and Maintenance.

ARTICLE 59—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee to act to eliminate the smoke and odor nuisance in East Millis Section of the Town, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee to act to eliminate the smoke and odor nuisance in East Millis Section of the Town.

At this time the Finance Committee asked to have Article 54 reconsidered and after further detailed explanation of the Article, and there being no objections from those voting negatively on the previous vote it was here VOTED that Article 54 be reconsidered.

VOTED that the Town use the money now in the Post War Fund

**\$3,474.45 in cash**

**3,000.00 in Government Bonds**

totalling \$6,474.45 for remodeling the Town offices, said money to be spent under the Board of Selectmen and two other citizens to be appointed by the Moderator, this vote being taken by rising count "Yes 147"; "No 0".

ARTICLE 60—To see if the Town will vote to accept the following to be added to Article I and made part of the Town By-Laws:

"The Selectmen shall mail to all R.F.D. and P.O. box

holders a notice of each annual or special Town Meeting at least seven days prior to such meeting." or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Town accept the following to be added to Article 1, and made part of the Town By-Laws:

"The Selectmen shall mail to all R.F.D. and P.O. box holders a notice of each annual or special Town Meeting at least seven days prior to such meeting".

ARTICLE 61 To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 2 Section 1. of the Town By-Laws to read as follows:

"The Finance Committee will advertise and hold public hearings on the warrant of any Town Meeting, annual or special"

or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Town amend Article 2. Section 1. of the Town By-Laws to read

"The Finance Committee will advertise and hold public hearings on the warrant of any Town Meeting, annual or special".

ARTICLE 62—To see if the Town will vote to accept the following to be added to Article 2. and made part of the Town By-Laws:

"Any article pertaining to bills not within a legal appropriation and which are in violation of Section 31. of Chapter 44. of the General Laws shall be so designated in the warrant"

or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the Town will add to Article 2, and made part of the Town By-Laws the following:

"Any article pertaining to bills not within a legal appropriation and which are in violation of Section 31. of Chapter 44. of the General Laws shall be so designated in the warrant".

ARTICLE 63—To see if the Town will vote to accept the follow-

ing to be added to Article 7 and made part of the Town By-Laws:  
"The Town Accountant shall act as secretary of the Finance  
Committee"

or act in any manner relating thereto.

**VOTED** to dismiss the Article.

**ARTICLE 64**—To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 6, Section 2 of the Town By-Laws to read as follows:

"Any contract under this section shall be awarded to the  
lowest responsible bidder"

or act in any manner relating thereto.

After discussion, motion made that this Article be accepted as printed. The vote taken being doubted as **LOST** by rising count "Yes 79"; "No 58", it was **VOTED** that the Town amend Article 6, Section 2 of the Town By-Laws as follows:

"Any contract under this section shall be awarded to the  
lowest responsible bidder".

**ARTICLE 65**—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a building committee composed of two members of the School Committee, two members of the Parent-Teachers Association, two members of the Millis Taxpayers Association and three members at large to continue the work of the 1951 School Building Committee in its study of the need for additional school facilities, this committee to report its findings and recommendations to a special Town Meeting to be called on or before June 1, 1952; and to see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

**VOTED** that the Town authorize the Moderator to appoint a building committee composed of two members of the School Committee, two members of the Parent-Teachers Association, two members of the Millis Taxpayers Association and three members at large to continue the work of the 1951 School Building Committee in its study of the need for additional school facilities, this committee to reports its findings and recommendations to a special Town Meeting



to be called on or before June 1, 1952; and to appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the use of this Committee.

ARTICLE 66—To see if the Town will vote to amend Article 4 Section 3, of the Town By-Laws to read as follows:

"All Boards, standing Committees, special Committees, or officers of the Town, having charge of the expenditure of money, shall annually report thereon in writing in such manner as to give the citizens a fair and full understanding of the objects and methods of such expenditures and shall make therein such recommendations as they deem proper";— and they shall file annually with the Finance Committee an inventory of all supplies and materials on hand in their various Departments as of December 31st of each year, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that this Article be dismissed.

ARTICLE 67—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for Dental Health Clinic under the jurisdiction of the Board of Health, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$1,000.00 be appropriated to be used for Dental Health Clinic under the jurisdiction of the Board of Health.

ARTICLE 68—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Civil Defense, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that the sum of \$300.00 be appropriated for Civil Defense.

ARTICLE 69—To see if the Town will vote to allow the Assessors to use the free cash balance in the Treasury in making up their tax rate, or act in any manner relating thereto.

By rising count "Yes 182" — "No 0", it was unanimously

VOTED that the Town allow the Assessors to use up to \$35,000.00, from the free cash balance in making up their 1952 tax rate.

ARTICLE 70—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1952, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

VOTED that the Town authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time, in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1952, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

VOTED to adjourn at 10:25 P.M.

LLOYD C. KING,

*Town Clerk*

## TABULATIONS OF 1952 APPROPRIATIONS

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Art. 3—Law and Order	\$7,500.00
Art. 5—Library Department	800.00
Art. 6—Town Expenses:	

### DEPARTMENTS

Schools	\$108,000.00
Debt and Interest	8,500.00
Highways and Bridges	14,200.00
Water Department	14,000.00
Old Age Assistance, in addition to Federal	

Grant	36,000.00
Welfare Department Administration, in addition to Federal Grant	2,300.00
Aid to Dependent Children, in addition to Federal Grant	8,000.00
General Relief	5,700.00
Total Disability, in addition to Federal Grant (New Category)	2,000.00
Soldiers' Relief	3,000.00
Fire Department	7,000.00
Street Lights	4,800.00
Snow Removal	5,500.00
Cemetery	2,500.00
Sewer Maintenance	2,300.00
Park Department	1,200.00
Memorial Park	100.00
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	\$225,100.00

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### EXPENSES OF TOWN OFFICERS

#### *Salaries:*

Tax Collector	775.00
Accountant	600.00
Assessors	720.00
Treasurer	450.00
Selectmen	300.00
Inspector of Slaughtering	480.00
Fire Commissioners	200.00
Water Commissioners	200.00
Water Registrar	200.00
Sewer Commissioner	100.00
School Committee	250.00
Animal Inspector	150.00
Election Officers	300.00
Town Office Janitor	100.00



Welfare Board	250.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	50.00
Milk Inspector	50.00
Board of Registrars	45.00
Town Clerk	175.00
Wire Inspector	100.00
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	\$5,495.00

*Expenses:*

Town Office	5,000.00
Accountant	75.00
Treasurer	350.00
Treasurer—(Tax Titles)	25.00
Tax Collector	600.00
Tax Collector—(Tax Takings)	50.00
Election Officers	600.00
Tax Assessors	850.00
Town Clerk	350.00
Board of Registrars	225.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	53.00
Water Registrar	150.00
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	\$8,328.00

Grand Total—Article 6	\$238,923.00
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Art. 7—Visiting Nurse	1,775.00
Art. 8—Tree Department	1,500.00
Art. 10—Board of Health	1,500.00
Art. 11—Special Repairs on Streets	700.00
Art. 12—Norfolk County Hospital	4,500.00
Art. 13—Service Board Maintenance	100.00
Art. 14—Director of Veterans' Services and Agent	1,250.00
Art. 17—Garbage Disposal	1,200.00

Art. 18—Planning Board	1,000.00
Art. 19—Adult Evening Practical Art Courses	3,000.00
Art. 20—Water Dept.: Pumping Station, etc.	1,000.00
Art. 21—Water Dept.: Reconditioning Electric Pump, etc.	4,000.00
Art. 22—Water Dept.: Connecting dead ends on Forest Rd.	2,800.00
Art. 27—Suppression of the Gypsy Moth, etc.	1,300.00
Art. 28—Quarters for Millis Post No. 208	600.00
Art. 29—Memorial Day	500.00
Art. 31—Recreational Program	480.00
Art. 35—1951 Pension Cost	2,261.60
Art. 36—Town Clock Maintenance	100.00
Art. 37—Control of Dutch Elm Disease	800.00
Art. 38—Vocational Tuition	660.00
Art. 39—School Bus	4,500.00
Art. 41—Insurance Account	5,500.00
Art. 46—Sewer Department Equipment	1,000.00
Art. 49—Service Board 1951 Unpaid Bills	39.00
Art. 51—Fire Hose	750.00
Art. 52—Fire Truck	11,500.00
Art. 53—Resurfacing Main Street	3,000.00
Art. 65—School Building Committee	150.00
Art. 67—Dental Health Clinic	1,000.00
Art. 68—Civil Defense	500.00
Grand Total	<hr/> \$302,388.60

## TRANSFERS

Art. 16—Lot and Grave Account		\$700.00
Art. 32—Road Machinery Account		2,048.20
Art. 33—From Overlay to Reserve Fund		6,500.00
Art. 45—Sewer Department:		
From Sewer Construction	\$9,000.00	
From Sewer Extension	5,000.00	
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## RESULTS OF VOTES CAST AT PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY April 29, 1952

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### Delegates at Large and Alternate Delegates at Large to the National Convention

#### *Republican*

Leverett Saltonstall	283
Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.	275
Joseph William Martin, Jr.	263
Sinclair Weeks	254
Katherine G. Howard	243
Daniel Tyler, Jr.	240
Robert F. Bradford	257
Richard I. Furbush	244
Charles Gibbons	235
Clarence A. Barnes	240

#### *Democratic*

Paul A. Dever	47
John W. McCormack	45
Maurice J. Tobin	48
John B. Hynes	44
William J. Foley	44
Henry Bridges	40
J. William Belanger	40
James M. Curley	48
Margaret M. O'Riordan	42
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.	44
John C. Carr	41
John E. Powers	44
Daniel B. Brunton	40
Mary DePasquale Murray	42
Charles I. Taylor	41
John W. Coddair, Jr.	42

**Alternate Delegates***Republican*

Carroll L. Meins	233
Maxwell M. Rabb	229
Basil Brewer	224
John A. Volpe	229
Julia B. Kirlin	227
Esther W. Wheeler	231
Louis Van N. Washburn	243
Robert C. Cochrane, Jr.	230
Jean L. Olmsted	222
George W. Schryver	220

*Democratic*

Edward A. Pecce	33
J. Henry Goguen	35
Peter J. Levanti	36
James Leo O'Connor	41
Stanislaus G. Wondolowski	32
Edward F. Doolan	37
Salvatore Camelio	35
Paul T. Smith	36
Charles Collatos	33
Elizabeth A. Stanton	33
Louis H. Glaser	35
Helen J. Fay	33
Silas F. Taylor	35
Francis H. Murray, Jr.	35
Thomas F. Graham	35
Edith T. Wilcox	34

**District Delegates and Alternate District Delegates  
to the National Convention**

**Delegates—Group 1**

*Republican*

Beatrice Hancock Mullaney	40
H. Edward Snow	48

*Democratic*

Joseph P. Clark, Jr.	20
Francis X. Casey	21
William P. Grant	20
Arthur R. Machado	20

**Alternate Delegates—Group 1**

*Republican*

Warren R. Gilmore	44
Talbot T. Tweedy	55

*Democratic*

Francis W. Harrington	19
Matthew J. Kuss	19
Franklin R. McKay	19
George E. Talbot	20

**Delegates—Group 2**

*Republican*

John S. Ames, Jr.	213
Richard Saltonstall	233

*Democratic*

John F. Kane	14
Francis J. O'Neil	14
David D. Talbot	10
William E. White	11



**Alternate Delegates—Group 2***Republican*

Edward H. Bowen	208
Henry Prunaret	208

*Democratic*

Bernard F. Cleary	10
Kathryn R. Hearn	10
Antone Perreira	10
James H. Sullivan	9

**Delegates—Not Grouped***Democratic*

Edward P. Grace	5
Patrick H. Harrington, Jr.	5

**State Committee****Middlesex and Norfolk District****Vote for One Man***Republican*

Addison C. Armstrong	175
Edward P. Wyeth	39

*Democratic*

Francis C. McKenna	41
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**Vote for One Woman***Republican*

Ann C. Gannett	119
Ruth J. Leavitt	86

*Democratic*

Helen Moran O'Connor	40
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**Presidential Preference***Democratic*

Kefauver	17
Dever	6
MacArthur	1
Truman	4
Stevenson	1
Tobin	1
Harriman	1
Eisenhower	3

*Republican*

Eisenhower	274
Taft	42
Warren	3
Stassen	1

**Town Committee***Republican*

James W. Payson	278
Lloyd Lipsett	273
George Y. Robinson	277
Michael E. Collins	269
Horace V. Balkam	273
Morris Mushnick	276
Bertha L. Shepardson	263
Ruth V. Purdy	268
Bessie T. Simpson	271
Emily M. Porter	270
Moody J. Richardson	270
Gordon P. King	280
Louis DeAngelis	267
Charles A. Lipsett	272
Charles S. Dukelow	274
Leonard W. Lindahl	19

Talbot Dewey	12
Stephen Paine	4
Charles E. Inches, Jr.	2
Harold Curran	5
Polly Baker	1
Harold Lipsett	1
Robert I. Howland	1
Walter H. Hoar	1
Arthur B. Blackett	1
Blanks	49

*Democratic*

Michael H. Clancy	49
William J. Christian	47
Dennis J. Murphy	48
Narcissa B. Ingraham	46
Charles A. Smith	50
Daniel L. Murphy	46
George D. Cassidy	48
William L. Whelan	45
Henry McCarthy	2
James White	2
Adam Consoletti	5
Hugh McCarthy, Jr.	7
James J. Clancy	9
John F. Sheehan	2
Blanks	2



**WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING****Tuesday, May 27, 1952, A. D.****COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

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Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Millis, in said  
**County,** **GREETING:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Millis qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet on Tuesday, May 27, 1952 at 7:30 P.M. in the High School Auditorium in said Millis, then and there to Act on the following Articles, viz:

Meeting was called to order by Moderator, Rudolph F. King at 7:30 P.M. Warrant and Constable return read by Moderator.

**ARTICLE 1** To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$400.00 from the inactive road machinery account to the active road machinery account to be used for Road Machinery purposes, or act in any manner relating thereto.

**VOTED** to transfer the sum of \$300.00, from the inactive road machinery account to the active road machinery account to be used for Road Machinery purposes.

**ARTICLE 2** To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 97 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws of Massachusetts or act in any manner relating thereto.

**VOTED** to dismiss Article 2.

**ARTICLE 3** To see if the Town will vote to take the sum of \$35,000.00 from available funds for the purpose of its being used to reduce the direct 1952 tax rate or act in any manner relating thereto.

At this time the Moderator appointed the following counters: Lawrence J. Beardon, Harold LaCroix and Laurence A. Mott.

By a rising VOTE "Yes 95" — "No 0" it is hereby voted in accordance with the Article seeking action on the use of \$35,000.00, that the sum of \$35,000.00 be transferred from available funds in the Treasury for the purpose of reducing the 1952 tax rate.

A count of the voters present was made at this time and a quorum was not present.

Article 4 and 5 were passed over and Article 6 was taken up.

ARTICLE 6—To see if the Town will vote to accept a report of the School Building Committee and to see if it will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the continuation of the work of the Committee, or act in any manner relating thereto.

The School-Building Committee made their report and after a general discussion it was

VOTED— That the School-Building Committee continue its work and that the sum of \$199.00 be appropriated to continue the survey.

At this time it was VOTED to return to Articles 4 and 5.

ARTICLE 4— To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1 200.00 for the insurance account, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that \$199.00 be appropriated for the Insurance Account.

ARTICLE 5— To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$300.00, to pay Gertrude LaCroix for land damages at the corner of Main and Pleasant Streets, and to authorize the Selectmen to pay same, as authorized by the County Commissioners, or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED that \$199.00 be appropriated to pay Gertrude LaCroix for land damages at the corner of Main and Pleasant Streets, and to authorize the Selectmen to pay same as authorized by the County Commissioners.

ARTICLE 7— To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for teachers' salaries in order to comply with Chapter 69 of the Acts of 1952 General Laws or act in any manner

relating thereto.

VOTED that \$199.00, be appropriated to pay teachers' salaries in order to comply with Chapter 69 of the Acts of 1952 General Laws.

VOTED to adjourn at 8:45 P.M.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by the vote of the Town.

Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant with your doing thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 14th day of May A.D. 1952.

MORRIS MUSHNICK,  
HORACE V. BALKAM,  
MICHAEL E. COLLINS.

*Selectmen of Millis*

A True Copy.

Attest: Henry J. Cassidy, Constable of Millis, May 19, 1952.

NORFOLK, SS.

Millis, Mass., May 19, 1952

By virtue of this Warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of Millis of said meeting at said time and place as herein directed and in accordance with the By-Laws of the Town of Millis.

HENRY J. CASSIDY,

*Constable of Millis*



**RESULT OF VOTES CAST AT STATE PRIMARY**  
**September 16, 1952**

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**Governor**

*Republican*

Christian A. Herter 336

*Democratic*

Paul A. Dever 51

**Lieutenant Governor**

*Republican*

Sumner G. Whittier 319

*Democratic*

Charles F. Jeff Sullivan	38
Thomas B. Brennan	3
Edward C. Carroll	1
Thomas J. Kurey	1
C. Gerald Lucey	22
Joseph L. Murphy	6
Blanks	3

**Secretary**

*Republican*

Beatrice Hancock Mullaney 308

*Democratic*

Edward J. Cronin 54

**Treasurer***Republican*

Fred J. Burrell	175
Roy Charles Papalia	166
Blanks	64

*Democratic*

William R. Conley	5
Cornelius P. Cronin	3
James E. V. Donelan	4
Foster Furcolo	42
John F. Kennedy	11
Jeremiah F. Murphy, Jr.	3
A. Francis Sullivan	1
Blanks	5

**Auditor***Republican*

David J. Mintz	297
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*Democratic*

Thomas J. Buckley	56
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**Attorney General***Republican*

George Fingold	314
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*Democratic*

Francis E. Kelly	33
Robert T. Capeless	11
George Leary	14
John V. Moran	10
Blanks	67

**Senator in Congress***Republican*

Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.	332
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*Democratic*

John F. Kennedy	67
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**Congressman***Republican*

Joseph William Martin, Jr.	331
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*Democratic*

Edward F. Doolan	49
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Joseph M. Mendonca	6
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**Councillor***Republican*

Otis M. Whitney	298
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*Democratic*

Daniel T. Carey	17
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Joseph P. Duca	5
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Donald B. Falvey, Jr.	6
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Edmund S. Haverty	3
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Thomas C. Quinn	33
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**Senator***Republican*

Charles W. Olson	247
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Paul T. Burke	106
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*Democratic*

John Charles Fiore	20
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Francis C. McKenna	45
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**Representative in General Court***Republican*

Frank D. McCarthy	104
Horace V. Balkam	204
William F. Nourse	55
Perley D. Porter	6
Blanks	1

*Democratic*

Edward J. Delaney	42
Henry P. Kennedy	27
Blanks	5

**Clerk of Courts***Republican*

Willis A. Neal	299
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**Register of Deeds***Republican*

L. Thomas Shine	313
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**County Commissioners***Republican*

Russell T. Bates	288
Clayton W. Nash	262

*Democratic*

George E. Brophy	42
Thomas J. Collins	27

**Sheriff***Republican*

Samuel H. Wragg	319
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## RESULT OF VOTES CAST AT STATE ELECTION

### November 4, 1952

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#### Electors of President and Vice-President

Eisenhower and Nixon, Republican	936
Hallinan and Bass, Peace Progressive	1
Hamblen and Holtwick, Prohibition	1
Hass and Emery, Socialist Labor	1
Stevenson and Sparkman, Democratic	474
Blanks	32

#### Governor

Paul A. Dever, Democratic	535
Christian A. Herter, Republican	881
Lawrence Gilfedder, Socialist Labor	0
Florence H. Luscomb, Peace Progressive	1
Guy S. Williams, Prohibition	2
Blanks	26

#### Lieutenant Governor

Charles F. Jeff Sullivan, Democratic	490
Sumner G. Whittier, Republican	882
William R. Ferry, Prohibition	5
Francis A. Votano, Socialist Labor	0
Blanks	68

**Secretary**

Edward J. Cronin, Democratic	524
Beatrice Hancock Mullaney, Republican	524
Alice M. Ferry, Prohibition	14
Fred M. Ingersoll, Socialist Labor	2
Blanks	81

**Treasurer**

Foster Furcolo, Democratic	507
Roy Charles Papalia, Republican	546
Henning A. Blomen, Socialist Labor	3
Harold J. Ireland, Prohibition	5
Blanks	54

**Auditor**

Thomas J. Buckley, Democratic	557
David J. Mintz, Republican	798
Anthony Martin, Socialist Labor	4
Robert A. Simmons, Prohibition	3
Blanks	83

**Attorney General**

Francis E. Kelly, Democratic	445
George Fingold, Republican	920
Arthur W. Blomen, Socialist Labor	0
Howard B. Rand, Prohibition	4
Blanks	75



**Senator in Congress**

Henry Cabot, Lodge, Jr., Republican	817
John F. Kennedy, Democratic	596
Thelma Ingersoll, Socialist Labor	1
Mark R. Shaw, Prohibition	2
Blanks	29

**Congressman**

Joseph William Martin, Jr. Republican	933
Edward F. Doolan, Democratic	462
Grace Farnsworth Luder, Prohibition	5
Blanks	45

**Councillor**

Otis M. Whitney, Republican	853
Thomas C. Quinn, Democratic	472
Blanks	120

**Senator**

Charles W. Olson, Republican	858
John Charles, Fiore, Democratic	498
Blanks	89

**Representative in General Court**

Edward J. Delaney, Democratic	556
William F. Nourse, Republican	837
Blanks	52

**Clerk of Courts**

George Philip Carney, Democratic	495
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Willis A. Neal, Republican	825
Blanks	125

#### Register of Deeds

L. Thomas Shine, Republican	1052
Blanks	393

#### County Commissioners

Russell T. Bates, Republican	807
Clayton W. Nash, Republican	752
George E. Brophy, Democratic	406
Thomas J. Collins, Democratic	423
Blanks	134

#### Sheriff

Samuel H. Wragg, Republican	892
John H. Brownell, Democratic	437
Blanks	116

#### Question No. 1

- A. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?

Yes	891
No	375
Blanks	179

- B. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)?

Yes	878
No	337
Blanks	230

C. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

Yes	1024
No	234
Blanks	187

## WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Friday, December 12, 1952, A. D.

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Millis, in said County,

#### GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Millis, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet on Friday, December 12, 1952, at 7:30 P.M. in the High School Auditorium in said Millis, then and there to Act of the following Article, viz:

Meeting was called to order by Moderator Rudolph F. King at 7:30 P.M. Warrant and Constable return read by Moderator.

ARTICLE 1—To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,000.00 from the Aid to Dependent Children account to the Old Age Assistance account or act in any manner relating thereto.

VOTED to transfer the sum of \$2,000.00 from the Aid to Dependent Children account to the Old Age Assistance account

VOTED to adjourn at 7:35 P.M.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by the vote of the Town.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doing thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this first day of December A.D. 1952.

MORRIS MUSHNICK,  
HORACE V. BALKAM,  
MICHAEL E. COLLINS.

*Selectmen of Millis*

A true copy.

Attest: Henry J. Cassidy, Constable of Millis

December 4, 1952

NORFOLK, SS.

By virtue of this warrant, I have notified the inhabitants of Millis of said meeting at said time and place as herein directed and in accordance with the By-Laws of the Town of Millis.

HENRY J. CASSIDY,

*Constable of Millis*



## BIRTHS RECORDED IN MILLIS DURING THE YEAR 1952

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<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Parents</i>
1904		
May 1	Esther Louise Leonard	Charles W. and Emily J.
1951		
July 15	Mary Jane Montgomery	Howard R. and Marilyn T.
Oct. 24	David Brian Crosby	Stanley S. and Marion L.
Nov. 6	Ann Marie Duprey	Robert and Helen
Nov. 19	Virginia Gayle Krohn	Otto G. and Virginia S.
Nov. 24	Andrew Edward Bain	Allen E. and Barbara B.
Dec. 1	Alexander Henry Blackett, 2nd	Arthur B. and Nancy R.
Dec. 10	Ronald Simon Lewis	Bernard and Lillian S.
Dec. 10	Ralph Edward Geyer	William and Ruth H.
Dec. 12	Thomas Edward Brodeur	Ernest E. and Joanne M.
Dec. 12	Jo-Ann Powell	Joseph H. and Alice P.
Dec. 13	Arlene Mighton	Samuel G. and Arlene B.
Dec. 14	Janet Marie Breen	John K. and Barbara A.
Dec. 22	Steven Lester Warsofsky	Jack and Jeanette G.
Dec. 28	David Olson	Raymond and Lucille F.
1952		
Jan. 11	John Joseph Brodeur	Robert E. and Helen McD.
Jan. 26	Judith Ann Sarris	Joseph H. and Margaret M.
Jan. 28	Helen Elizabeth Kell	Charles C. and Margaret W.
Jan. 29	Nathan Goodman	Louis and Ethel R.
Jan. 30	Mary Ellen Snyder	Robert F. and Mary E.
Feb. 2	Nancy Jean Cribby	Lauren Cribby and Isabelle R.
Feb. 7	Karen Margaret Hansen	Theodore and Lorraine M.
Feb. 11	William David Connors	Thomas D. and Catherine B.
Feb. 12	Sharon Marie Lane	Edward L. and Pauline
Feb. 24	Arthur Simpson Payne, Jr.	Arthur S. and Doris
Feb. 25	Joseph Edward McDonough	Robert W. and Irene K.
Feb. 26	Elizabeth Anne Lynch	Charles and Dorothea E.
Feb. 27	Charles Henry Long	Sylvester and Ann A.
Feb. 29	Karen Louise Kilmer	Howard and Marie

Mar. 9	Joyce Diane Calesa	Joseph and Bette
Mar. 13	Denise Clancy	George D. and Catherine T.
Mar. 18	Deborah Florence Steeves	Douglas and Florence
Mar. 18	Andrew George Harcovitz	John and Frances O.
Mar. 24	Hope Abigail Currier	Arthur R. and Lois E.
Mar. 27	Philip George LaBounty, Jr.	Phillip and Edith Fletcher
Mar. 27	Linda Louise Pelletier	Omer and Lenola D.
Apr. 2	Louise Elizabeth McCluskey	Carl W. and Joan P.
Apr. 17	Robert Alan Dixon	Richard D. and Catherine S.
Apr. 29	..... (Gately)	John M. and Rita E.
May 1	Crystal Ann Burnett	Clifford P. and Lorraine
May 30	Judith Anne Sullivan	Robert L. and Theresa
June 6	Charlene Mary Johansen	Frederick J. and Barbara A.
June 14	..... Dobbs	Robert D. and Mary
June 20	Pamela Jane Porter	William R. and Kathryn
June 30	Cheryl Ann Dunlap	Harold D. and Pauline C.
July 3	Robert Alan Winiker	Edward W. and Annette K.
July 15	Alek Joseph Leontie	Alek and Rita S.
July 23	Susan Joann Hobson	Bruce C. and Joan M.
July 30	Marilyn Thorne	Louis H. and Barbara
Aug. 5	Donald Scott Robinson	Donald A. and Polly F.
Aug. 5	Margaret Elise Joyal	Robert E. and Jacquelin H.
Aug. 12	Deborah Alice Chick	Lawrence and Charlotte
Aug. 18	Ingrid June Todd	Allan and Renate K.
Aug. 25	Richard Donald Hardie	Richard D. and Gwendolyn C.
Aug. 27	Eileen Margaret MacLeod	Roderick A. and Mary G.
Sept. 1	Robert Anthony Morgan	Henry A. and Mary P.
Sept. 5	Richard Stephen Bixler	Roy G. and Marjorie M.
Sept. 7	Janeen Theresa Kostick	John A. and Isabel D.
Sept. 16	Robert Paul Nyren	George F. and Rita M.
Sept. 18	Edward Paul Shropshire	Edward and Joan W.
Sept. 20	Susan Sibbel Powers	Wilbur A. and Mildred D.
Sept. 24	Deborah Lynn Shippee	Norman H. and Judith W.
Sept. 28	Shirley Eileen Roberts	Philip L. and Evelyn S.
Sept. 30	Deborah Lipsett	Harold L. and Dorothy W.
Sept. 30	Francis Kenney Farriey, Jr.	Francis and Christine
Oct 6	Christine Louise Jess	Thurman S. and Joyce C.

Oct. 10 Paula Jean Duhamel  
Oct. 18 Karin Mary Cushman  
Oct. 23 Clifton Wayne Jacobs, Jr.  
Oct. 24 Susan Marie Green  
Oct. 28 Julia Anne Neary  
Nov. 8 Marianne Robinson  
Nov. 8 Herbert Warren Joyce, Jr.  
Nov. 11 Elizabeth Ann Rosati  
Nov. 23 Keith Ian MacFarland  
Nov. 26 Amanda Marie O'Leary  
Dec. 2 Mary Esther Clancy

Paul and Violet L.  
Kenneth L. and Winifred P.  
Clifton W. and Eleanor H.  
Douglas V. and Rachel B.  
John E. and Mary  
Joseph L. and Rose C.  
Herbert W. and Jean M.  
Anthony P. and Dorothy K.  
Paul S. and Jean G.  
Curtis F. and Barbara H.  
John H. and Helen M.

# MARRIAGES RECORDED IN MILLIS DURING THE YEAR 1952

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## ANNUAL REPORT

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Residence</i>	<i>By Whom</i>	<i>Where</i>
Feb. 23	Henry M. Cuthy Nancy Jane Provost	Millis Haverhill	Rev. Daniel F. Leahy	Haverhill
Feb. 23	Frederick Jones Pollard Annabelle Rosalind Lee	Millis Pawtucket, R. I.	Rev. William F. Harrington	Pawtucket, R. I.
Feb. 24	Henry Harold Kucharsky Mary Doreen Harrison	Medway Millis	Rev. Robert C. Bryson	Millis
Mar. 9	Rose Edgna Boulter, Jr. Lorraine Cribby	Norfolk Millis	George P. Campbell Justice of the Peace	Norfolk
Mar. 16	Martin Bruce Gladys Mushnick	Brooklyn, N. Y. Millis	Jonas Weisbord, Rabbi	Millis
Mar. 22	Richard Waldo Conant Laurel Royce	Ridgewood, N. Y. Millis	Rev. Francis Lee Whittemore	Millis
Apr. 6	William Carlson Elizabeth Boulter	Millis Norfolk	Rev. Carl F. Hall	Norfolk
Apr. 19	Dean R. Swift Catherine M. Moran	Vineyard Haven Millis	Rev. Thomas F. Ferris	Millis
Apr. 25	Harold L. Sessions Pauline A. Congdon	Brookline Millis	Rev. Robert I. Howland	Millis
Apr. 26	Robert L. Collins Constance C. Vaux	Millis Westwood	Rev. Thomas F. Ferris	Millis



<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Residence</i>	<i>By Whom</i>	<i>Where</i>
June 1	Samuel Winkler Mushnick Louise Lucille Finklestein	Millis Milford	Jona Weisbord, Rabbi	Brookline
June 1	Robert E. Stutman Janet L. Simbol	Franklin Millis	Abraham Rose, Rabbi	Millis
June 14	Harold H. Alger, Jr. Charlotte T. Walker	Millis Walpole	Rev. John M. Maron	Walpole
June 22	Sidney Finkelstein Tania Midman	Medway Millis	Sidney Steiman, Rabbi	Roxbury
June 28	Newell Jackson Bicknell Betty Robinson	Holliston Millis	Rev. Robert L. Howland	Millis
June 28	John Clement Frederickson Maud Lorraine Stone	Newton Newton	Rev. Robert Clyde Yarbrough	Millis
June 28	Richard H. Aulenback Nancy Bennett	Millis Millis	Rev. Robert C. Bryson	Millis
June 28	Robert Paul Shepardson Liane Olga Raymond	Millis West Warwick, R. I.	Rev. John F. Porel	Quincy, R. I.
July 3	John Stephen Santos Pauline Mick	Millis Millis	Rev. Robert L. Howland	Millis
July 26	Vincent Joseph Ozella, Jr. Margaret Kubacki	West Medway Millis	Rev. Robert C. Bryson	Millis

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Residence</i>	<i>By Whom</i>	<i>Where</i>
July 26	Norman Dick Olson Kay Ramsdell	Millis Millis	Rev. Dowie G. DeBoer	Milford
Aug. 9	Jerome H. Cohen Sylvia Rosentfeld	New York City Dorchester	Walter S. Winzburger, Rabbi	Millis
Aug. 20	Dale H. Harvey Alice Simarrian	Medfield Millis	Rev. Robert I. Howland	Millis
Aug. 23	Dominick Gervasi Dolores Simarrian	Franklin Millis	Rev. Robert I. Howland	Millis
Aug. 23	Edward Peter Kerwin Ida Mae Calnan	Millis Medway	Rev. Ralph W. Farrell	Medway
Aug. 23	Joseph Paul Lombard Ernestine June Bach	Medway Millis	Rev. Ralph W. Farrell	Medway
Sept. 7	Maurice Sidney Spivak Annette Charlotte Mann	Millis Milton	Jona Weisbord, Rabbi	Millis
Sept. 13	John Francis Lynch Lucille G. Giles	Wrentham Millis	Rev. Jeremiah J. Collins	Wrentham
Sept. 20	Russell R. Clark, Jr. Gerardine F. Christian	Millis Millis	Thomas F. Ferris, Priest	Millis
Sept. 27	Charles W. Murdock Jean McLean	Norfolk Millis	Rev. Robert E. Crawford	Fitchburg
Oct. 13	Samuel Fogel Hannalore Doliner	Haverhill Millis	B. Leon Hurwitz, Rabbi	Brookline

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Residence</i>	<i>By Whom</i>	<i>Where</i>
Oct. 18	Lance, T. Kearney Doris Kearney	Lancaster Millis	Rev. Robert I. Howland	Millis
Nov. 7	Donald E. Bates Dorothy M. Keltie	Millis Millis	Rev. Robert I. Howland	Millis
Nov. 8	Albert Louis Giovannella Mary Doris Goulding	Millis West Newton	Winthrop M. Southworth Justice of the Peace	Needham
Nov. 9	George DiCenzo Jacqueline A. Brogna	Millis E. Boston	Rev. John J. Foley	E. Boston
Nov. 11	John A. Newell, Jr. Elizabeth M. LaCroix	Medfield Millis	Rev. Robert I. Howland	Millis
Nov. 15	Richard F. Clancy Margaret J. Higgins	Millis Medway	Rev. John H. Clancy	Medway
Nov. 18	Oliver Twist Florence Alberta Hammi	Medway Medway	Rev. Robert I. Howland	Millis
Nov. 22	David J. Murray Mary Jane Crowley	Newton Centre Millis	Rev. Thomas F. Ferris	Millis
Nov. 30	Charles Albert Lipsett, Jr. Marilyn Ann Boyden	Millis Walpole	Rev. Robert I. Howland	Millis

## DEATHS RECORDED IN MILLIS DURING THE YEAR 1952

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Place of Burial</i>
1951			
Dec. 20	Norman Carter	52 11 20	Foxcroft, Me.
1952			
Jan. 9	Albion F. Carlson	52 — —	Millis
Jan. 25	Edla Leth Gustafson	69 5 13	Millis
Feb. 1	Joseph Edward Casey	70 4 29	Holliston
Feb. 27	Michael Sour	59 7 13	Medfield
Mar. 9	Daniel Charles Collins	67 — —	Millis
Apr. 1	Lewis W. Godfrey	79 1 11	Millis
Apr. 9	John K. English	3 10 —	Millis
Apr. 21	Henry T. Conway	78 — —	Boston
Apr. 25	Samuel Sidman	70 — —	West Roxbury
Apr. 27	John Henry Leslie	70 — —	Brookline
Apr. 29	Baby Boy Gately	— — —	Holliston
May 7	Margaret J. Newell	80 — —	Boston
May 27	Lillian McGrath Johanson	61 11 12	Millis
June 23	Freda G. Eisner Proe	70 10 13	Millis
June 23	James E. Moran	82 9 21	Millis
June 29	Cecelia Lydon	41 — —	Waltham
July 19	Laura Putnam	62 8 16	Foxboro
Aug. 6	Catherine E. Cassidy McMahan	84 0 18	Holliston
Aug. 15	Osgood T. Dean	87 0 11	Millis
Aug. 24	Clarence E. Simpson	81 11 2	Millis
Aug. 26	Edward Henry Holland	69 — —	Marlboro
Aug. 26	Richard D. Hardie, Jr.	— — 1½	Medfield
Sept. 12	Sabina M. Wilbur	82 2 2	Foxboro
Sept. 15	Gertrude A. Burns	69 3 21	Millis
Sept. 27	Elizabeth Adamson	70 5 2	Boston
Dec. 5	John Dmytryck	73 1 22	Millis
Dec. 24	Janice Hazel Anderson	2 6 21	Millis



**BURIALS RECORDED IN MILLIS  
DURING THE YEAR 1952**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Place of Death</i>
1952			
Jan. 20	Violet Lipsett	36 6 26	Norfolk
Jan. 29	Helen Mann Clark	81 8 29	Wrentham
May 5	Cora A. Caldwell	75 8 11	Avon
July 14	Nellie E. Daniels	80 1 12	Boston
Aug. 11	George S. Gilmore	70 7 19	Framingham
Nov. 18	Ada Marion Kingsbury	85 10 23	Framingham

## REPORT OF BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

The Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Citizens of the Town of Millis:

This past year this department answered 91 calls as follows: Electrical 1; Commercial Buildings 2; Sofa 1; Oil Burners 4; Grass and Woods 67; Chimney 3; Automobile 1; Incinerator 1; Stoves 2; Home 2; Inhalator 2; Rubbish 2; Out of Town 3.

The fire truck voted us in February was purchased from the Maxim Motors Co. of Middleboro, Mass. and will be delivered on Jan. 10, 1953. It consists of a Dodge chassis equipped to carry 600 gals. of water 1200 feet of 2½ in. hose, 500 feet of 1½ in. hose, two reels of hooster hose, one 35 foot ladder and a pump of 600 gal. capacity.

The fire hose bid was awarded to the Charles H. Clougherty Co. of Medfield, Mass.

The bid for painting the exterior of fire house and interior of Police station was awarded to Irving Clark of Millis.

The bid for widening and installing overhead doors was awarded to the Cliff Compton Co. of Dorchester, Mass.

To go along with the outside appearance of the Millis station we purchased paint and the firemen redecorated the interior of the apparatus room. The floor of the Police station was covered with inlaid linoleum.

The heating plant was temporarily repaired and must be replaced soon.

This coming year we plan to install toilet facilities in the Rockville station and to improve those at the Millis station. Also to renovate the entrance hall and meeting room at the Millis station.

We ask your approval of our Articles in the Warrant asking for \$750.00 to purchase fire hose and \$603.00 for the purchase of an

Emerson resuscitator.

We thank all who assisted this department in any way during the past year.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN J. WARD,  
ARTHUR WATSON,  
MOODY RICHARDSON,

*Fire Engineers.*

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## REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
the Citizens of Millis:

It was hoped that I could give you an encouraging report regarding the trees of our town but now that we have had the ice storm we will just have to let it go as is.

ARTHUR M. SMITH,

*Tree Warden*

## REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

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Millis, Mass., January 3, 1953.

Board of Selectmen, Town of Millis

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year 1952.

Scales and weights sealed	81
Gasoline meters	9
Grease meters	8
Scales adjusted	4
Scales not sealed	1

Sealing fees collected—\$43.60—and duly turned over to Town Treasurer.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN J. WARD,

*Sealer.*



## REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Millis:

The Planning Board recommends that the Town consider the reorganization of this Board under Section 81A Chapter 41 of the General Laws.

The Board urges the drafting of suitable Building and Plumbing Codes for the Town similar to those of surrounding towns.

We recommend that the new Board investigate the possibility of assigning street numbers, at least for the longer streets of the Town.

The Planning Board requests an appropriation of \$250.00 for the year 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD V. VOYE, *Chairman*  
PHILIP J. GAVIN  
CHARLES S. DUKELOW  
DALTON H. WEIN  
ALBERT W. HUNT

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR 1952

December 31, 1952

Real Estate Tax. Personal Property Tax. Poll Tax. Water Lien

1952

Dr.

## To Warrants

Real Estate	\$162,122.25
Personal Property	13,067.50
Poll Tax	1,678.00
Refund—Real Estate	994.90
Interest	28.47
	<u>\$177,891.12</u>

Cr.

By Amount Paid Treasurer	\$165,510.36
Abatements	5,811.50
Tax Titles	1,217.75
Tax Titles Taken 1952	52.50
Outstanding	5,299.01
	<u>\$177,891.12</u>

Prior to 1952

Dr.

Amount recommitted—March 1952	\$2,453.68
Interest	33.20
	<u>\$2,486.88</u>

Cr.

By Amount Paid Treasurer	\$1,897.75	
Tax Title Taken—1952	86.50	
Abatement	30.00	
Outstanding	472.63	
		\$2,486.88

## Sewer Assessment

1952

Dr.

Recommitted March—1952	\$203.80	
Committed 1952	16,699.25	
		\$16,903.05

Cr.

By Amount Paid Treasurer	\$3,591.16	
Outstanding	13,311.89	
		\$16,903.05

## MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE

1952

Dr.

To Warrants	\$21,696.42	
Refunds	459.00	
		\$22,155.42

Cr.

By Amount Paid Treasurer	\$16,791.56
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Abatements	573.43	
Outstanding	4,790.43	
	<hr/>	\$22,155.41

Prior to 1952

Dr.

By Amounts Recommitted—March 1952	\$3,059.28	
Refunds	18.50	
Interest	17.19	
	<hr/>	\$3,094.07

Cr.

By Amount Paid Treasurer	\$1,535.98	
Outstanding	1,558.09	
	<hr/>	\$3,094.07

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH F. ENGLISH,

*Tax Collector*



## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

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January 12, 1953

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Millis:

I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1952.

During the year the following number of animals were slaughtered:

Beef cattle	81
Calves	226
Sheep	9

Respectfully submitted,

TIMOTHY J. McCARTHY,

*Inspector of Slaughtering*

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

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January 12, 1953

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
the Citizens of Millis:

I hereby submit the following report of the inspection of animals  
for the year ending December 31, 1952.

The annual barn and animal inspection has been completed and  
the number of cattle, horses and swine was found to be slightly  
less than last year.

There were four hundred head of cattle brought in from out of  
state. These were checked and released.

During the year there were nineteen dog bites and none of these  
dogs showed any symptoms of rabies.

All other work was carried out as ordered by the Director of  
Livestock and Disease Control.

Respectfully submitted,

TIMOTHY J. McCARTHY.

*Inspector of Animals*

## REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Millis:

The Cemetery Commissioners are pleased to present our report for the year 1952. Prospect Hill Cemetery, including the old and the new portion, comprises approximately twenty-one acres. The lots have been cared for during the past year and special attention has been given to all the perpetual care lots.

We have also carried out a small reforestation project in the wooded section of our cemetery which we believe will not only add to its beauty, but will in the distant future be a source of revenue.

We are pleased to note that each year an increasing number of families are presenting money to the town in the form of Cemetery Trust Funds so their cemetery lots will have perpetual care.

The cooperation your Commissioners have received from town officials and the townspeople merits our deep appreciation and sincere thanks. We will continue our plans for the progressive improvement of Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER HOAR,  
FLOYD RUSSELL,  
RUDOLPH F. KING,

*Cemetery Commissioners*

## CIVILIAN DEFENSE REPORT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

and Citizens of Millis:

A Civil Defense Organization in the Town of Millis has been organized and set up according to the executive orders of His Excellency, Paul A. Dever, Governor of the Commonwealth, and in accordance with rules and regulations established by John F. Stokes, State Director. Because of the size of our community there were some modifications and combining of the departments to make the state civil defense setup adaptable to our town.

In our report to the Selectmen and Citizens for 1951 your Co-directors set forth in considerable detail the organization and setup for civil defense in our town. Therefore, we shall refrain from repeating this information in our report for 1952.

We do wish to advise, however, that a number of our Civil Defense Officials have attended many special conferences in Boston, Brockton and other centers of activity to be better prepared in case of an emergency. There have been several first aid drills held and we hope to continue this training during 1953.

Your Co Directors deeply appreciate the fine co-operation they have had from many of our fellow citizens and wish to take this opportunity to thank the Town Officials and Citizens for their interest.

We hope that in the coming year we may have more people volunteer their services so that our community can fully meet the requirements set up by the State Civil Defense Organization.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER HOAR,  
RUDOLPH F. KING,

*Co-Directors of Civil Defense*



## REPORT OF THE MOTHS SUPERINTENDENT

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and  
Citizens of Millis:

The Elm trees were sprayed in April for control of the Elm bark beetle, the carrier of the Dutch Elm disease.

In June the regular general spray for control of the Gypsy Moth Elm leaf beetle and other leaf eating insects was accomplished.

A mounding of unhealthy Elms disclosed twenty one trees afflicted with the Dutch Elm disease. These have been removed and burned.

Again may I stress the importance of promptly burning all Elm wood and trimmings lying on the ground.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the different departments and individuals who in any way assisted me in this work. Especially the Highway Department on their very efficient cooperation in disposing of the diseased trees.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN E. SKARP,

*Moth Superintendent*

**FIELD DRIVER'S REPORT FOR 1952**

Millis, Mass., January 6, 1953

There was one case of a stray animal, horse, during the year. Said animal was impounded and called for by the owner within a few hours, no damages to persons or property being involved.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. GATELY

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**REPORT OF THE AGENT  
FOR THE BOARD OF HEALTH FOR 1952**

Millis, Mass., January 6, 1953

Two complaints of sewerage overflow were investigated in 1952, both of which were corrected by the persons on whose property the overflow occurred and no further complaints on either were received.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. GATELY

## REPORT OF MILK INSPECTOR

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January 3, 1952

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and the Citizens of Millis:

I herewith submit my report as Milk Inspector for the year ending December 31, 1952.

Samples of milk sold in local markets and distributed by dealers were examined and found to conform with minimum standards of the Massachusetts Board of Health.

The following permits were issued and the money for the same turned over to the Town Treasurer:

4 Oleomargarine at \$.50	\$2.00
17 Milk Dealers at \$.50	8.50
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	\$10.50

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP J. GAVIN, JR.,

*Milk Inspector*

**REPORT OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS**

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To the Citizens of Millis:

On April 14th at 7:30 P.M. the bids for Contract No. 4 for the ditching and laying of sewer mains on Van Kleeck Road were opened at the Town Office and they were as follows:

\$ 5,084.15	Joseph Cucci, Newton Center
8,214.00	N. C. Cibotti, Hyde Park
8,332.25	DiPetro & Son and C. E. Simpson & Son, Millis
8,689.50	Joseph Butera, Woonsocket, R. I.
8,790.00	DiMinico & Pallotta, Inc., Malden
8,942.90	Fantonio & Bitsoli Co., Natick
9,180.45	Quintin Vespa Co., Newton Center
9,575.51	Z. & S. Constr. Co., Roslindale
9,829.00	Susi & DiCenso Co., Dorchester
9,777.50	Consigli Constr. Co., Milford
10,593.50	Baker & Co., Boston
10,823.50	C. Jinstino, Inc., Dorchester
11,941.00	Susi & DeSantis, Roslindale
12,055.00	J. Andreassi Co., Roslindale
12,580.50	N. Bevilacqua & Son, Roslindale
13,614.00	Dingley Constr. Co., Natick

Joseph Cucci of Newton was the low bidder but a request in writing was presented by him asking that his bid be withdrawn as he claimed a mistake had been made in figuring the work. After



due consideration this withdrawal was allowed.

We are very sorry to say that Mr. Bailey our Engineer passed away before we awarded the Contract. Mr. Bailey did a good job while he was with us.

The Contract was awarded to DiPetro & Son and C. E. Simpson & Son. This work on this contract has been completed with the exception of resurfacing the street. So much of the surface of the road was broken up that patching was out of the question. After due consideration and conferring with the Selectmen and the Supt. of Streets it was decided to wait until spring before doing this resurfacing. This would give the ditch a chance to settle over the winter and a much better job can be done.

The sewer beds seem to be able to take care of the increased sewerage load and the system seems in very good condition. The outside of our sedimentation tanks have reached the point where they have got to be repaired.

All property owners wishing to enter the sewer must have a permit from the Sewer Commissioners and the contractor or person doing the job must be approved by the Sewer Commissioner. The job must be inspected by the Sewer Commissioners. All material used must also be approved by the board.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE SARRIS.  
GEORGE DeANGELIS,  
LLOYD C. KING

*Sewer Commissioners*

## REPORT OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and the Citizens of Millis:

We hereby submit our annual report of the Park Department. This year the board decided to put in condition:

*First*—the baseball field. Rebuilt our infield, pitcher's mound, batters box and foul lines. Thirteen loads of loam were put into the infield and also new clay into the pitcher's mound. Due to the fact that this had never been done before, it became a necessity to do the work this year.

*Second*—The tennis court. Painting of all lines and the purchasing of a double tennis net, two new steel poles and steel cable.

*Third*—Rest rooms and handstand. All new pipes, new shut-offs and new toilets. A completely new bubbler was necessary.

*Fourth*—The playground. All new seats on swings, new sandboxes and the painting of all benches.

*Fifth*—The road. Repaired by filling all holes with gravel and constant spreading of calumine to prevent dust.

This year the Park Department found it necessary to have the power mower repaired and overhauled. During the Playground season of two weeks we hired a man for eight hours per day to keep the rest rooms open at all times and have the grounds kept clean.

The Park Department feels that we have used our appropriation to the best advantage.

GEORGE DUHAMEL,  
ROBERT COLLINS,  
ARTHUR SMITH.

*Park Commissioners*

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO REMODEL THE TOWN OFFICES

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At town meeting in February 1952 it was voted to use approximately \$6,000.00 from the Post War Fund for the purpose of remodeling the Town Office Building in such a way as to make it possible for the Welfare Office, Town Clerk, Sewer, Water Department, Selectmen and others to have suitable offices and hearing rooms therein at the same time create more space for the library.

The committee appointed by the moderator for this purpose, whose names appear below, had many meetings. At the first meeting we engaged the services of Mr. Wendell Phillips of Milford as architect to advise us and give us some plans in connection with making these alterations.

Mr. Phillips prepared two sets of plans. The most acceptable one included relocating the stairway making central hall, and other changes which would make the present building more suitable, workable and more like a Town Office Building than a converted railroad station. The committee was unanimous in their opinion that this was the plan to follow if possible as the other plan was just a makeshift. Accordingly, bids were advertised for and on Aug. 24, 1952 they were opened. The lowest bidder was United Builders, Inc. With only \$6,000.00 to spend it was impossible to go ahead with this work, but in order to explore every opening the committee had additional meetings with the low bidders to see if by eliminating or changing certain items we could complete the job within the available funds. A new set of specifications was drawn up and new bids were sent out but none of the general contractors submitted bids. There were only two sub-contractors' bids received.

The committee reluctantly abandoned the program temporarily because they felt it was their responsibility to give to the town a Town Office Building which would be attractive, acceptable, serv-

iceable and a credit to the community, using the present building as a basis. Had we been able to award the original contract to the low bidder for \$10,793.24 we would have obtained such a building. In addition it would have been necessary to spend a little more for special repairs.

The committee therefore, has decided to place an article in the Town Warrant requesting additional funds so that this money together with the Post War Fund of \$6,000.00 can be used to remodel and repair the Town Office Building.

HORACE V. BALKAM,  
MICHAEL COLLINS,  
MORRIS MUSHNICK,  
HAROLD SIMPSON,  
STEPHEN PAINE, *Chairman*

November 5, 1952.



## REPORT OF THE MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

The committee would like to thank all those who helped to make the parade and the ceremony at the cemetery as successful as they were. We were fortunate in having the Rev. Howard P. Horn, former pastor of the Church of Christ, Millis, as our speaker.

The great amount of work done by the cemetery workers and Mrs. Rudolph F. King was appreciated by the committee immensely.

Appropriation	\$500.00
Payments	500.00
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Balance	000.00

Respectfully submitted,

GARDNER M. RICE,

*Committee Chairman*

## REPORT OF THE WORLD WAR II SERVICE BOARD COMMITTEE

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This year two sets of flags were purchased for the Service Board and the board was repainted.

The grounds were kept up to keep the board looking as attractive as possible.

We again wish to thank the Townspeople for keeping the memorial alive.

Appropriation	\$100.00
Payments	49.75
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Balance	50.25

Respectfully submitted,

GARDNER M. RICE,

*Committee Chairman*

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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At the Selectmen's Meeting of February 17, 1952, the Board organized with Mr. Morris Mushnick, Chairman, and Mr. Horace V. Balkam, Clerk.

Regular meetings were held the first and third Thursdays of each month, plus 18 Special Meetings.

### Streets and Highways

The work done in 1952 was mainly surface treatments, bush cutting, patching, drainage and graveling.

Island Road was graveled and widened to the Town Dump and is ready for Tar if money is available.

One-half of Bridge Street was graveled where the building is started.

A mixed in place wearing surface of between 2" and 3" was applied to the following Streets:

Exchange Street from Van Kleeck Road corner to Railroad crossing;

Village Street;

Pleasant Street

Myrtle Street;

Corners were cut back in order to give vision on Auburn Road

Ridge Street and Orchard Street.

Some of our Highways due to the increased traffic in them should be relocated.

The Selectmen requested a hearing with the Dept. of Public Utilities in Boston. A hearing was granted but our request for I.C.L. freight delivery was rejected due to the economy of the operation claimed by the Railroad. Mr. Michael Collins represented the Board

at this hearing.

Prior to purchasing the new fire truck the three members of the board were guests of the Fire Engineer and visited Palmer Mass., and Middleboro Mass. in regard to the purchasing of the new fire truck. After visiting both manufacturers — the Board decided to award the contract to the Maxim Motor Co. of Middleboro. The citizens are cordially invited to come at any time to the Fire Dept. and see the new truck.

New doors were installed at the Fire Dept. and the doors and trim were painted to improve the appearance.

We hope in the near future to resurface more of Route 109 with hot top.

#### Licenses and Permits Issued

- 83 Wiring
- 7 Auctioneer
- 1 Antique and Second Hand
- 2 Retail Package Goods
- 1 Bottling
- 18 Outing
- 1 Slaughter
- 1 Tavern
- 1 Common Victualer—All Alcoholic
- 12 Common Victualer
- 1 Junk
- 10 Sunday
- 3 Inn Holders
- 1 Poultry Slaughter
- 1 Taxi
- 1 Bakery
- 1 Bowling
- 1 Vegetable Stand

We wish to take this opportunity to thank all the various Departments, Mr. Lawrence J. Reardon, Town Accountant, and all Citizens of Millis for the excellent cooperation and efforts given us this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

MORRIS MUSHNICK,  
HORACE V. BALKAM,  
MICHAEL E. COLLINS,

*Board of Selectmen.*

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### ASSESSORS' REPORT—1952

Valuation of real estate	\$3,242,445.00
Valuation of personal estate	261,350.00
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Total valuation	\$3,503,795.00

### TOTAL TAXES

State parks and reservations	\$427.85
State audit of municipal accounts	1,869.25
Smoke inspection service	47.37
County tax	6,554.40
County hospital	4,320.89
Overlay for 1951	1,000.00
Overlay for 1952	9,578.27
Town grant	321,311.80
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Total taxes for 1952	\$345,109.83



## RECEIPTS

Free cash from treasury	\$35,000.00
Estimated receipts	109,621.52
Available funds	23,620.56
Taxes from real estate	162,122.25
Taxes from personal estate	13,097.50
Poll taxes (839)	1,678.00
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Total receipts	\$345,109.83
Rate per thousand	\$50.00
Number of houses assessed	614
Acres of land assessed	6,954
Fowl	9,400
Horses	22
Cows	339
Swine	36
Sheep	4
Number of persons assessed	924
Number of polls	839

## WARRANTS TO COLLECTOR

Real and personal estate	\$175,189.75
Poll taxes	1,678.00
Real estate from U. S. Government	936.95
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Total warrants to collector	\$177,804.70

## ABATEMENTS

Real estate 1952 levy	\$5.00
Personal 1952 levy	42.50
Polls 1949 levy	6.00
Polls 1951 levy	12.00
Polls 1952 levy	64.00
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Total abatements	\$129.50

## EXEMPTIONS

Polls 1951 levy	\$4.00
Polls 1952 levy	266.00
Real estate 1952 levy	5,475.00
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Total exemptions	\$5,745.00

## MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE

Number of vehicles	1,321
Total valuation	\$572,890.00
Warrants to Collector:	
1951 Levy	\$1,851.65
1952 Levy	21,696.42
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Total warrants to collector	\$23,548.07

## Abatements:

1950 Levy	\$32.39
1951 Levy	1,409.50
1952 Levy	585.49
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Total abatements	\$2,027.38

GEORGE D. CASSIDY,  
GEORGE Y. ROBINSON,  
MILLARD B. LaCROIX,

*Assessors of Millis.*

## REPORT OF CHIEF OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Millis, Mass., January 6, 1953.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report of the Police Department for the year 1952.

Total arrests, nature of crimes, etc., is listed below.

### Crimes Against Public Order

Disturbing the Peace	1	Male
Driving to Endanger	1	Male
Operating Under the Influence	1	Male
Indecent Exposure	1	Male
Lewdness	1	Male
Unnatural Act	6	Male
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Total	11	Male

### Crimes Against the Person

Carnal abuse of female child	1	Male
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### Crimes Against Property

Trespassing	1	Male
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### Motor Vehicles

Violations reported to Registry of Motor Vehicles, without  
Court action

Motor vehicle violations in which Court action was taken, totalled five, two of which are listed above in Crimes Against Public Order; the other three were as follows:

Failing to slow	1 Male
Failing to stop for officer	1 Male
Leaving the scene of accident	1 Male

One male patient was apprehended and returned to the Westboro State Hospital, and one female was committed to the Foxboro State Hospital on order of a physician.

During 1952 only five doors to various business places were found open on nightly check, which is much better than in other years, and for which the department members join me in a vote of thanks to the merchants.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Clergy for their assistance in emergencies that arose during the year, as well as Dr. Zalvan and Dr. Seigal.

In closing I wish to thank the Selectmen, the various Town departments and the Registry of Motor Vehicles for their cooperation during the year 1952.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. GATELY,

*Chief of Police.*

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

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To the Citizens of Millis:

The Board of Public Welfare submits herewith its annual report for the fiscal year 1952.

### GENERAL RELIEF

The case load for 1952 consisted of all unemployable cases.

#### Status of Cases

Aged and physically incapacitated	6
Spouse receiving Old Age Assistance, recipient not eligible	3
Closed by transfer to Old Age Assistance	1
Closed by removal—self-supporting	2
Active cases December 31, 1952	6

#### Financial Summary

Appropriation	\$5,700.00
Expenditure	5,364.66
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Balance unexpended	\$335.34

### AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Assistance under this category was granted to seven cases during the year. Assistance was granted in accordance with the State Standards of Assistance.

Cases active January 1, 1952	6
Cases added during the year	1
Cases closed during the year	1
Cases active December 31, 1952	6



**Status of Cases**

Widows	3
Remarriage of parent (children only considered)	1
Separated (supplementing checks from court)	2
Incapacitation of parent	1

**Financial Summary**

Appropriation		\$8,000.00
Reimbursement—Federal Grants		4,466.74
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Total available		\$12,466.74
Expenditure—Amount paid recipients	\$9,778.85	
Transfer to Old Age Assistance	2,000.00	
	<hr/>	11,778.85
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Balance unexpended		\$687.89

**Allocation of Costs**

Payments to recipients for the year 1952		\$9,778.85
Reimbursements—		
Federal grants	\$4,466.74	
State share	3,331.20	
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Millis share		\$1,980.91

**OLD AGE ASSISTANCE**

Under the Old Age Assistance category seventy-six cases were added during the year. Seventeen cases were closed by death, transfer and non-compliance with the new lien law.

Cases active January 1, 1952	70
Cases added during the year	6
Cases closed during the year	17
Cases active December 31, 1952	59

**Financial Summary**

Appropriation	\$36,000.00
Reimbursement—Federal Grants	22,185.67
Transfer from Aid to Dependent Children account	2,000.00
Total available	\$60,185.67
Expenditure	59,552.28
Balance unexpended	\$633.39

**Allocation of Costs**

Payments to Recipients	\$59,552.28
Reimbursements:	
Federal Grants	\$22,185.67
State Share	27,375.30
Other Towns	1,676.32
	51,237.29
Millis Share	\$8,314.99
Amounts receivable and outstanding	456.20

Under the new Lien law sixteen liens were taken on property of recipients; all were recorded with the Registry of Deeds, Norfolk County, Dedham, Mass. One recovery has been received from the estate of a deceased recipient in the amount of \$1,679.45.

Chapter 801 of the Acts of 1951 became effective January 1, 1952, and provides a number of changes in the Old Age Assistance law.

- (1) Provision for legal minimum rates of \$75.00 monthly plus Leisure Time Activity Allowance for all persons living outside of a family group, and \$55.00 monthly plus Leisure Time Activity Allowance to persons living in a family group.
- (2) An increase of \$500 per Annum in the Statutory exemption to legally liable children.
- (3) Increase in board rates where recipient resides with a legally liable relative or non-legally liable relative, nursing

homes and in the rents which recipients can now be allowed to pay.

Increase in the minimum allowances which are mandatory has meant that some budgets which did not meet the new legal minimums had to be increased to the new rate, by adding what the State Department calls free cash.

### DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Under the Disability Assistance law two cases were aided during the year 1952.

Cases active January 1, 1952	2
Cases active December 31, 1952	2

### Financial Summary

Appropriation	\$2,000.00
Reimbursement—Federal Grants	658.70
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Total available	\$2,658.70
Expenditure—Paid recipients	1,588.61
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Balance unexpended	\$1,070.09

### Allocation of Costs

Expenditure—Payments to Recipients	\$1,588.61
Reimbursements:	
Federal Grants	\$658.70
State Share	349.03
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	1,007.73
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Millis Share	\$580.88

### ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation	\$2,000.00
Board of Public Welfare Salaries	250.00
Reimbursements: Federal Grants	2,183.67
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Total available	\$4,433.67

**Expenditures:**

Board salaries	\$250.00	
Agent's salary	3,553.83	
Social Service Index	10.00	
Supplies and Postage	121.63	
Telephone	28.17	
Travel	6.72	
	<hr/>	3,970.35

Balance unexpended		<hr/> \$463.32
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**Allocation of Costs**

Expenditure		\$3,970.35
Reimbursement:		
Federal Grants	\$2,183.67	
State Share	25.36	
	<hr/>	2,209.03
Millis Share		<hr/> \$1,761.32

We wish to express our appreciation to the Visiting Nurse Association for the very valuable services rendered to recipients of assistance by Miss Myrtle Coldwell and her assistant Mrs. Sylvia Dill.

We wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, Town Accountant, Town Treasurer and to Chief Gately for all courtesies extended to us during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS J. CLANCY  
MERLE A. BROWNE  
ADAM CONSOLETTI  
*Board of Public Welfare*

HARRY E. KING  
*Clerk of the Board*

**REPORT OF  
TRUSTEES OF MILLIS PUBLIC LIBRARY**

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**RECEIPTS**

Appropriation	\$800.00	
Dog Tax refunded	338.28	
Interest from Dr. and Mrs. Charles W. Emerson Fund	5.75	
Fines	35.72	
	<hr/>	\$1,179.75

**EXPENDITURES**

Librarians' salaries	\$459.00	
Cleaning service	100.00	
Books and magazines	427.63	
Postage, box rent	12.58	
Supplies	57.55	
Maintenance, repairs	87.27	
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Fine money turned over to Town Treasurer		35.72

BERTHA L. SHEPARDSON,  
MARTIN J. POWER,  
FLORENCE L. GILBOY,

*Trustees.*



**REPORT OF  
LIBRARIAN TO THE TRUSTEES FOR 1952**

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Number of books and magazines circulated during year	4954
Adult fiction	1203
Adult non-fiction	462
Juvenile fiction	1869
Juvenile non-fiction	536
Magazines	864
Books borrowed from Division of Public Libraries and elsewhere	33
Largest daily circulation	61
Average daily circulation	25 plus
Adult borrowers	494
Juvenile borrowers	450

SIBBEL PURDY.

*Librarian.*

## REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES

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January 3, 1953.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and Citizens of Millis:

I herewith submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1952.

Many new laws both Federal and State have been passed during the previous year and have brought those who entered the armed services on or after June 25, 1950 and their dependents into the same category with those veterans who served during World War I and World War II and their dependents. Most important among these laws recently passed are those concerning Veterans' Benefits, Burial Rights, Housing, Loans, Education, On-Job Training, Mustering-Out Pay, Re-employment, Pensions and Compensation.

It is felt that veterans and their dependents could avoid many problems and much delay if they would seek the advice of this office in advance of filing for any of the above benefits. Quite frequently in the past it has been very difficult to obtain benefits once the initial step has been taken through another source.

Inquiries by veterans and their dependents and dependents of servicemen seeking advice, assistance and information relative to their many problems and the various benefits available to them are as follows:

Hospitalization	41
Out-Patient Treatment	27
Education	5
Insurance	45
Pensions and Compensation	68
Financial Assistance	45

Induction	7
Taxes	27
Housing and Loans	29
Notarizing Papers	4
Photostats	5
Miscellaneous	28

## FINANCIAL REPORT

*Veterans' Benefits*

Appropriation	\$3,000.00
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## Expenditures:

Ordinary Benefits	\$560.00
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Fuel	67.00
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Medical	312.00
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Total	939.00
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Unexpended Balance	\$2,061.00
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## Receipts:

Received from State	\$443.50
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Receivable from State	54.00
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Total	497.50
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Cost to Millis	\$441.50
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	\$3,000.00
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*Administration*

Appropriation	\$1,250.00
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## Expenditures:

Salary of Agent	\$788.60
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General Expenses	451.40
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Association Dues	10.00	
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I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Selectmen, Mr. Walter Hoar, Assistant Service Officer of the American Legion, the local doctors, the visiting nurse and all others who assisted me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP J. GAVIN, JR.

*Director of Veterans' Services*

**REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT**  
**For the Year Ending December 31st, 1952**

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To the Citizens of Millis, Mass.:

The following is a report of the financial transactions of your Town for the year ending December 31st, 1952.

I wish to thank all of the Town Officers and Citizens for their help and cooperation during the past year.

LAWRENCE J. REARDON,

*Town Accountant.*

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**RECEIPTS**

Poll Tax Previous Years	64.00
Personal Tax Previous Years	15.00
Real Estate Tax Previous Years	2,744.54
Poll Tax 1952	1,293.00
Personal Tax 1952	12,660.00
Real Estate Tax 1952	151,096.94
From State Corporation Tax	24,298.12
Income Tax From State	43,231.58
Veterans' Services From State	820.49
Meal Tax From State	1,381.52
School Transportation From State	4,742.46
Union Superintendent From State	1,244.44
School Aid From State	1,437.50
School Tuition From State	617.68
Old Age Assistance From State	27,968.11
Aid Dependent Children From State	3,867.84
Dissability Assistance From State	350.00



Massachusetts School Fund From State	422.85
Highway Aid From State	14,357.81
Bowling License	12.00
Milk Licenses	10.00
Junk Licenses	10.00
All Other Permits	459.96
Old Age Assistance Federal Government	22,185.67
Aid Dependent Children Federal Government	4,466.74
Old Age Assistance Administration Federal Government	1,080.82
Aid Dep. Children Administration Federal Government	752.13
Disability Assistance Administration Federal Government	32.52
Assistance Federal Government	647.80
Old Age Assistance Other Cities and Towns	1,016.07
Sale of Material	161.05
School Cafeteria	10,261.33
School Athletics	893.60
Sealer	43.60
Liquor Licenses	1,205.00
Dog Licenses From County	338.28
Dog Licenses Collected for County	483.20
Sewer Tax	4,177.91
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1952	16,791.56
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Previous Years	6,817.99
Federal Government Tax	936.95
Dental Clinic	99.33
Library Fines	34.72
Withholding Tax	13,013.37
Retirement	2,385.04
Fire Pumping Station	375.00
From State T. B. Hospital	574.27
County Aid to Highways	3,199.98
Cemetery Lot and Graves	1,421.50
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	600.00
Interest on Cemetery General Care Funds	345.31
Interest on Taxes	86.55
Interest on Post War Bonds	60.00
Refunds	484.20

Water Rates	13,041.79
Old Age Assistance Recovery	1,679.45
Water Loan	24,500.00
Post War Bonds to Town Office Alterations	3,000.00
Interest From Woolvett Library Trust Fund	7.75
Highway Machinery Fund	2,600.40
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Total Receipts for year	\$ 2,668.22
Balance Forward from 1951	129,250.07
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\$361,927.29

### TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation	\$5,397.00
Transferred From Reserve Fund	197.00
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\$5,592.00

#### Payments:

Tax Collector	\$775.00
Accountant	600.00
Assessors	720.00
Treasurer	450.00
Selectmen	300.00
Fire Commissioners	200.00
Water Commissioners	200.00
Sewer Commissioners	100.00
Slaughter Inspector	480.00
Water Registrar	200.00
School Committee	250.00
Animal Inspector	150.00
Election Officers	497.00
Welfare Board	250.00
Sealer	50.00
Milk Inspector	50.00
Registrars	45.00
Town Clerk	175.00

Wire Inspector	100.00	
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Total Payments	\$5,592.00	\$5,592.00

## TOWN ACCOUNTANTS' EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$75.00
Payments:		
Association Dues	3.00	
Stationery	49.94	
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Total Payments	\$52.94	
Balance to Revenue	22.06	
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		\$75.00

## TREASURER'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$350.00
Payments:		
Association Dues	2.00	
Printing, Postage and Stationery	237.44	
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Total Payments	\$239.44	
Balance to Revenue	110.56	
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		\$350.00

## TREASURER'S TAX TAKING EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$25.00
Payments:	
No Payments—Balance to Revenue	\$25.00

## TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$600.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund	200.00
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	\$800.00

## Payments:

Bonds	\$419.25
Printing and Postage	295.55
Association Dues	2.00
All Other	40.20

Total Payments	\$757.00
Balance to Revenue	43.00

\$800.00

## TAX COLLECTOR'S TAX TAKING EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$50.00
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## Payments:

Recording and Etc.	\$15.09
Advertising	15.75
Postage	3.00

Total Payments	\$33.84
Balance to Revenue	16.16

\$50.00

## TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$350.00
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## Payments:

Bond	\$7.50
Printing and Postage	65.00
Clerical	60.00
Recording Fees	190.00
Miscellaneous Expense	19.94

Total Payments	\$342.44
Balance to Revenue	7.56

\$350.00

## SEALER'S EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$53.00
Payments:		
Supplies	\$52.88	
Balance to Revenue	.12	
	<hr/>	\$53.00

## ASSESSORS' EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$850.00
Payments:		
Travel Expense	\$125.00	
Printing and Postage	103.06	
Recording Deeds and Etc.	79.00	
Clerical	500.00	
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Total Payments	\$807.06	
Balance to Revenue	42.94	
	<hr/>	\$850.00

## REGISTRARS' EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$225.00
Payments:		
Clerical Pay	\$223.75	
Balance to Revenue	1.25	
	<hr/>	\$225.00

## WATER REGISTRARS' EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$150.00
Payments:		
Postage	\$16.67	
Bond	33.75	
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Total Payments	\$50.42	
Balance to Revenue	99.58	
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		\$150.00

## TOWN OFFICE ALTERATIONS

Transferred From Post War Fund		\$6,474.45
Interest—1952		60.00
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		\$6,534.45
Payments:		
Advertising	\$46.88	
Architect	400.00	
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Total Payments	\$446.88	
Balance Reserved for Completion of Alterations	6,087.57	
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		\$6,534.45

## ELECTION EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$600.00
Payments:		
Food	\$77.32	
Police	50.50	
Janitor	22.00	
Printing and Postage	287.05	
Clerical	91.00	
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Total Payments	\$527.87	
Balance to Revenue	72.13	
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		\$600.00

## TOWN OFFICE EXPENSES

Appropriation		\$5,000.00
Janitor		100.00
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		\$5,100.00
Payments:		
Clerk	\$1,560.00	
Printing and Postage	130.24	
Fuel	511.87	
Lights	129.02	
Repairs	105.93	
Telephone	116.73	
Town Reports	1,308.89	
Selectmen's Expenses	489.98	
Janitor's Supplies	3.99	
Janitor	100.00	
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Total Payments	\$4,456.65	
Balance to Revenue	643.35	
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		\$5,100.00

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$7,500.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund		468.09
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		\$7,968.09
Payments:		
Chief's Salary	\$3,989.44	
Specials	2,754.00	
Telephone	216.73	
Car Upkeep	338.70	
Stationery and Postage	9.45	
Gas and Oil	278.25	
Supplies	175.68	
Radio Telephone	36.09	

Uniforms	169.75
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Total Payments	\$7,968.09
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## FIRE HOSE

Appropriation	\$750.00
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Payments:	
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Hose Purchased	\$750.00
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## FIRE TRUCK

Appropriation	\$11,500.00
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Reserved until completion of Contract	\$11,500.00
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## FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$7,000.00
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Payments:	
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Payrolls	\$3,467.00
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Expenses	14.00
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Gas, Oil, Truck Repairs	375.98
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Equipment and Supplies	772.80
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Photographs	20.00
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Fuel	409.22
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Electricity	205.82
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Building Repairs	1,501.35
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Telephone	202.02
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All Other	22.50
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Total Payments	\$6,990.69
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Balance to Revenue	9.31
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	\$7,000.00
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## DUTCH ELM TREE DISEASE

Appropriation	\$800.00
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Transferred from Reserve Fund	162.93
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	\$962.93
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## Payments:

Spraying	\$361.30
Wages	601.63

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Total Payments	\$962.93
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## MOTH DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$1,300.00
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## Payments:

Spraying	\$1,252.65
Wages	38.00
Supplies	9.35

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Total Payments	\$1,300.00
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## TREE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$1,500.00
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## Payments:

Wages	\$1,339.02
Trees	106.00
Supplies	51.47

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Total Payments	\$1,496.49
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Balance to Revenue	3.51
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	\$1,500.00
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## CIVIL DEFENSE

Appropriation	\$300.00
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Transferred from Reserve Fund	140.00
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	\$440.00
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## Payments:

Telephone	\$70.43
Clerk	100.00

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Total Payments	\$170.43
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Balance to Revenue	269.57	
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\$440.00

## HEALTH

Appropriation		\$1,500.00
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Payments:		
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Medical	\$76.67	
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Wages	8.10	
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Board	63.00	
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Total Payments	\$147.77	
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Balance to Revenue	1,352.23	
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\$1,500.00

## COUNTY HOSPITAL

Appropriation		\$4,500.00
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Payments:		
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County Hospital Assessment	\$3,950.97	
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Balance to Revenue	549.03	
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\$4,500.00

## DENTAL HEALTH

Appropriation		\$1,000.00
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Payments:		
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Dentist	\$680.00	
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Supplies	296.03	
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Total Payments	\$976.03	
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Balance to Revenue	23.97	
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\$1,000.00



## NURSE

Appropriation	\$1,775.00
Payments:	
Nurse's Salary	\$1,775.00

## GARBAGE DISPOSAL

Appropriation	\$1,200.00
Payments:	
Paid for Garbage Collection	\$1,200.00

## SEWER MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	\$2,300.00
Payments:	
Electricity	\$138.23
Wages	1,105.25
Superintendent	300.00
Supplies	81.85
Lumber	672.00
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Total Payments	\$2,297.33
Balance to Revenue	2.67
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	\$2,300.00

## SEWER DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT

Appropriation	\$1,000.00
Payments:	
Equipment Purchased	\$950.08
Balance to Revenue	49.92
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	\$1,000.00

## SEWER CONSTRUCTION ORIGINAL CONTRACT

Balance January 1st, 1952	\$12,377.31
Payments:	

Transferred to Van Kleeck Road	\$9,000.00	
Payments on Contract	2,706.30	
Valves	51.50	
Labor	61.95	
Supplies	182.25	
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Total Payments	\$12,002.00	
Balance in Original Loan	375.31	
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		\$12,377.31

## SEWER EXTENSION 1951

Balance January 1st, 1952		\$7,211.87
Payments:		
Transferred to Van Kleeck Road	\$5,000.00	
Printing and Forms	8.25	
Engineer	50.00	
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Total Payments	\$5,058.25	
Balance in Extension	2,161.72	
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		\$7,211.87

## SEWER EXTENSION VAN KLECK ROAD

Transferred from Original Contract		\$9,000.00
Transferred from 1951 Contract		5,000.00
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		\$14,000.00
Payments:		
Contract to Date	\$4,636.25	
Engineer	471.00	
Advertising Bids	14.00	
Legal Fees	5.00	
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Total Payments	\$5,126.25	

Balance Reserved for Contract	8,873.75
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\$14,000.00

## WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$5,700.00
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## Payments:

Board and Care	\$366.05
Medical	1,640.37
Cash Aid	3,183.25
Funeral	150.00
Provisions	12.89
Transportation	8.00
Clothing	4.00

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Total Payments	\$5,364.56
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Balance to Revenue	335.44
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\$5,700.00

## VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION

Appropriation	\$1,250.00
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## Payments:

Salary	\$800.41
Expenses	449.59

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Total Payments	\$1,250.00
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## VETERANS' AID

Appropriation	\$3,000.00
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## Payments:

Cash Aid	\$627.00
Hospital Care	312.00

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Total Payments	\$939.00
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Balance to Revenue	2,061.00
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\$3,000.00

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Appropriation		\$36,000.00
Transferred from Aid Dependent Children		2,000.00
Received from Federal Government		22,185.67
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		\$60,185.67
Payments:		
Cash Aid	\$51,660.65	
Medical	6,908.09	
Other Cities and Towns	983.54	
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Total Payments	\$59,552.28	
Balance to Revenue - Town Appropriation	633.39	
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		\$60,185.67

## AID DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation		\$8,000.00
Received from Federal Government		4,466.74
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		\$12,466.74
Payments:		
Cash Aid	\$8,962.72	
Medical	816.13	
Transferred to O.A.A.	2,000.00	
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Total Payments	\$11,778.85	
Balance to Revenue	687.89	
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		\$12,466.74

## DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Appropriation		\$2,000.00
Received from Federal Government		647.80
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		\$2,647.80

## Payments:

Cash Aid	\$1,319.50
Medical	269.11

Total Payments	\$1,588.61
Balance to Revenue	1,059.19

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\$2,647.80

## WELFARE AGENTS SALARY AND EXPENSES

Appropriation	\$2,300.00
Received from Federal Government	1,865.47

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\$4,165.47

## Payments:

Agent's Salary	\$3,553.80
Agent's Expenses	166.52

Total Payments	\$3,720.32
Balance to Revenue	445.15

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\$4,165.47

## SCHOOL CAFETERIA

Balance from 1951	\$362.14
Receipts for 1952	8,099.84
State Aid	2,161.49

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\$10,623.47

## Payments:

Salaries	\$1,950.00
Food	726.79
Canned Goods	1,675.45
Bread	474.49
Meat	1,182.29
Ice Cream	966.00



Supplies	269.25	
Milk	2,998.01	
Freight and Express	58.85	
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Total Payments	\$10,301.13	
Balance to 1953	322.34	
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		\$10,623.47

## SCHOOL ATHLETICS

Balance from 1951		\$524.50
Receipts for 1952		\$93.60
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		\$1,418.10
Payments:		
Supplies	\$307.42	
Referees	537.50	
Bus Drivers	98.00	
Medical Supplies	19.00	
Printing	21.50	
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Total Payments	\$983.42	
Balance to 1953	434.68	
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		\$1,418.10

## HIGHWAYS CHAPTER 81

Appropriation		\$6,300.00
Received from State		11,550.00
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		\$17,850.00
Payments:		
Labor	\$8,519.77	
Sand and Gravel	1,068.59	
Machinery Payrolls	3,263.80	
Tarvia and Oil	4,766.02	

Brick	22.00	
Pipe	61.20	
Supplies	114.44	
Outside Labor	33.93	
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Total Payments	\$17,849.75	
Balance to Revenue	.25	
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		\$17,850.00

## HIGHWAYS CHAPTER 90

Appropriation		\$700.00
State		700.00
County		700.00
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		\$2,100.00
Payments:		
Labor	\$255.10	
Machinery Payrolls	196.20	
Tarvia and Oil	1,031.24	
Sand and Gravel	617.40	
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Total Payments	\$2,099.94	
Balance to Revenue	.06	
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		\$2,100.00

## SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation		\$5,500.00
Payments:		
Food	\$10.25	
Salt	998.20	
Sand	490.47	
Wages	2,671.75	
Plow Repairs	565.00	
Hired Plows	685.70	

Machinery	76.00	
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Total Payments	\$5,497.37	
Balance to Revenue	2.63	
	<hr/>	\$5,500.00

## STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation		\$4,800.00
Payments:		
Paid for Street Lights	\$4,599.54	
Balance to Revenue	210.46	
	<hr/>	\$4,800.00

## MACHINERY ACCOUNT

Machinery Fund Transfer		\$2,348.20
Payments:		
Gas and Oil	\$1,071.26	
Truck Repairs	1,218.13	
Oil	36.86	
Supplies	4.20	
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Total Payments	\$2,330.45	
Balance to Fund	17.75	
	<hr/>	\$2,348.20

## RESURFACING MAIN STREET

Appropriation		\$3,000.00
State		5,000.00
County		2,500.00
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		\$10,500.00
Payments:		
Labor	\$726.33	

Machinery Payrolls	328.00	
Tarvia and Oil	75.82	
Sand and Gravel	64.73	
Supplies	6.75	
Pipe	18.00	
Advertising Bids	16.88	
Brick	25.20	
Manholes	28.55	
Contract	9,209.39	
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Total Payments	\$10,499.65	
Balance to Revenue	.35	
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		\$10,500.00

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation		\$7,900.00
Payments:		
Telephone	\$116.52	
Superintendent, Expenses	324.94	
Wages	5,814.52	
Sand and Gravel	221.75	
Electricity	14.27	
Freight	2.50	
Oil and Tar	248.63	
Signs	55.99	
Printing	20.00	
Truck Repairs	225.84	
Gas and Oil	48.77	
Machinery	196.00	
Hired Equipment	244.00	
Equipment and Repairs	366.21	
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Total Payments	\$7,899.94	
Balance to Revenue	.06	
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		\$7,900.00

## SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$105,000.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund	1,069.32

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\$109,069.32

## Payments:

Superintendent, Salary	\$2,466.56
Clerks, Salary	880.00
Printing and Postage	320.49
Telephone	485.69
Travel Expense	222.26
All Other Expense	16.00
Teachers' Salaries	74,329.38
Books	3,127.95
Supplies	2,395.74
Superintendent, Expense	104.16
Equipment and Repairs	535.00
Freight and Express	12.81
Bus Repairs	534.08
Gas and Oil	572.05
Labor	65.00
Janitors	5,856.00
Fuel	3,280.75
Electricity	1,575.87
Building Repairs	3,677.70
Janitors' Supplies	1,723.33
Athletics	1,347.46
Lumber	230.61
Nurse	834.64
Medical Supplies	287.68
Physician	300.00

Total Payments	\$105,181.21
Balance to Revenue	3,888.11

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\$109,069.32



## SCHOOL BUS

Appropriation		\$4,500.00
Payments:		
Bus Purchased	\$4,082.50	
Balance to Revenue	417.50	
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		\$4,500.00

## VOCATIONAL TUITION

Appropriation		\$660.00
Payments:		
Tuition	\$550.64	
Transportation	83.94	
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Total Payments	\$634.58	
Balance to Revenue	25.42	
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		\$660.00

## PRACTICAL ARTS COURSES

Appropriation		\$300.00
Payments:		
Payrolls		\$300.00

## SMITH HUGHES BARDEN FUND

Transferred from Fund		\$267.00
Payments:		
Payrolls	\$90.00	
Balance in Fund	177.00	
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		\$267.00

## SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Appropriation		\$150.00
Appropriation Special Town Meeting		199.00

No Payments—Balance to Revenue

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\$349.00

\$349.00

### LIBRARY

Appropriation

\$800.00

Dog Tax from County

\$58.28

Transferred Interest from Woolvet Fund

5.75

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\$1,144.03

Payments:

Librarian

\$450.00

Janitor

109.00

Books and Periodicals

459.03

Binding

79.87

Postage and Printing

40.37

Janitor's Supplies

5.76

Total Payments

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\$1,144.03

### MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation

\$500.00

Payments:

Band

\$250.00

Flowers

42.10

Flags

43.00

Bugle Corps

51.95

Refreshments

89.95

Printing

23.00

Total Payments

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\$500.00

\$500.00

### TOWN CLOCK REPAIRS

Appropriation

\$100.00

Payments:

Repairs to Clock	\$35.30	
Balance to Revenue	64.70	
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	\$100.00	\$100.00

## AMERICAN LEGION POST 208

Appropriation		\$600.00
Payments:		
Paid to Post		\$600.00

## COUNTY PENSION COSTS

Appropriation		\$2,261.60
Payments:		
Paid County Account of Pensions		\$2,261.60

## INSURANCE ACCOUNT

Appropriation		\$5,500.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund		1,201.00
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		\$6,701.00
Payments:		
Paid for Insurance	\$6,681.21	
Balance to Revenue	19.79	
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		\$6,701.00

## SERVICE BOARD

Appropriation Unpaid Bills		\$39.00
Appropriation		100.00
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		\$139.00
Payments:		
Unpaid Bills	\$39.00	

Care of Board	54.30	
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Total Payments	\$93.30	
Balance to Revenue	\$45.70	
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		\$139.00

## PARK DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$1,200.00
Payments:		
Labor	\$816.50	
Sand and Gravel	186.50	
Supplies	162.65	
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Total Payments	\$1,165.65	
Balance to Revenue	34.35	
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		\$1,200.00

## MEMORIAL PARK

Appropriation		\$100.00
Payments:		
Labor	\$39.00	
Supplies	4.25	
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Total Payments	\$43.25	
Balance to Revenue	56.75	
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		\$100.00

## RECREATIONAL PROGRAMME

Appropriation		\$480.00
Payments:		
Payrolls	\$382.00	
Gas and Oil	21.50	
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Total Payments	\$403.50	

Balance to Revenue	76.50
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\$480.00
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## PLANNING BOARD

Appropriation	\$100.00
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No Payments--Balance to Revenue	\$100.00
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## WATER DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$14,000.00
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Material Furnished Forest Road Extension	310.28
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\$14,310.28
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## Payments:

Clerical	5.00
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Printing and Postage	100.13
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Telephone	108.68
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Labor	204.80
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Pipe and Fittings	2,241.56
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Truck Expense	110.84
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Freight and Express	12.90
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Engineer	3,380.00
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Power and Light	3,238.63
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Repairs to Station	1,078.59
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Supplies	809.50
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Outside Labor	2,360.47
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Equipment	127.65
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Stand Pipe	225.00
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Sand	20.60
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Total Payments	\$14,024.35
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Balance to Revenue	285.93
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\$14,310.28
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## WATER EXTENSION FOREST ROAD

Appropriation		\$2,800.00
Payments:		
Pipe	\$980.20	
Engineer	50.00	
Advertising Bids	25.63	
Contract	1,198.90	
Material from Water Department	310.28	
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Total Payments	\$2,565.01	
Balance to Revenue	234.99	
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		\$2,800.00

## RECONDITIONING ELECTRIC PUMP

Appropriation		\$4,000.00
Payments:		
Engineer	\$350.00	
Parts	482.50	
Heating	2,200.44	
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Total Payments	\$3,032.94	
Balance to be held until completion of work	967.06	
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		\$4,000.00

## NEW WELLS AND PUMPING STATION ALTERATIONS

Appropriation		\$1,000.00
Borrowed on Loan		24,500.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund		1,792.80
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		\$27,292.80
Payments:		
Engineer	\$1,600.00	
Advertising Bids	51.26	
Pipe and Fittings	3,928.09	

Well Contract	4,797.50	
Outside Labor	245.25	
Road and Pipe Contract	2,019.60	
Pump House Contract	2,068.65	
Legal Services	85.00	
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Total Payments	\$14,795.35	
Balance reserved for completion of work	12,497.45	
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		\$27,292.80

## CEMETERY UPKEEP

Appropriation		\$2,500.00
Transferred from Lot and Grave Account		700.00
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		\$3,200.00
Payments:		
Labor	\$2,291.06	
Outside Labor	261.22	
Trees and Shrubs	111.88	
Equipment and Supplies	153.50	
Truck Hire	236.00	
Loam	25.50	
Flowers	39.00	
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Total Payments	\$3,118.16	
Balance to Revenue	81.84	
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		\$3,200.00

## DEBT AND INTEREST

Appropriation		\$8,500.00
Payments:		
Notes Paid	\$6,000.00	
Interest Paid	1,995.00	

Certification of Notes	30.00	
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Total Payments	\$8.025.00	
Balance to Revenue	475.00	
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		\$8,500.00

## TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS PAID

State Parks	\$458.62
Smoke Inspection	41.40
State Audit 1951	2,127.75
County Tax	5,862.36
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Total Payments	\$8,490.13

## TRUST FUNDS CASH AND SECURITIES

Cemetery General Care Funds	\$5,922.29
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	9,114.09
Emerson Library Fund	241.04
Woolvett Library	2,648.89
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Total of Funds	\$17,926.31

## NET FUNDED OR FIXED DEBT

Sewer Loan January 1st, 1952	\$114,000.00
Paid Six Notes of \$1,000.00	6,000.00
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Amount Due December 31st, 1952	\$108,000.00
Water Loan (New Wells)	24,500.00
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Total Debt December 31st, 1952	\$132,500.00

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### GENERAL ACCOUNTS

### LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Cash	\$172,123.09	100th Anniversary Fund	\$756.96
Cemetery Lots	1,528.20	Overpayment Real Estate Tax 1951	100.00
100th Anniversary Fund	756.96	Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	6,371.05
Real Estate Tax 1949	1.00	Tax Title Revenue	4,400.75
Real Estate Tax 1950	5.00	Liens Recovery on O.A.A.	1,679.45
Personal Tax 1950	12.00	Water Revenue	4,950.15
Poll Tax 1951	8.00	Sewer Assessment Revenue	13,281.89
Real Estate Tax 1951	326.63	Overlay 1949	7.00
Personal Tax 1951	120.00	Overlay 1950	913.18
Poll Tax 1952	66.00	Overlay 1951	475.83
Personal Tax 1952	900.00	Overlay 1952	2,655.77
Real Estate Tax 1952	5,260.46	Overlay Surplus	6,867.47
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1948	42.71	Highway Accounts Receivable	11,005.48
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1949	27.76	Tailings	58.58
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1950	135.07	Cemetery Lot and Grave Account	0.577.56
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1951	1,375.08	Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	500.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1952	4,790.43	Cemetery General Care Funds	576.53
Tax Titles	4,294.65	Cemetery General Care Income	583.35
Tax Possessions	106.10	Road Machinery Fund	2,363.40
Water Rates	4,940.86	Dog Licenses Collected for County	61.20
Water Rates Due on Shortage	9.29	Withholding Tax	6,600.76
Sewer Assessments	13,281.89	County Retirement	303.07
State Aid to Highways	11,005.48	Town Office Alterations	6,087.57
Due Town overpayment on A.D.C.	53.40	Fire Truck	11,500.00
State Audit Deficit	258.48	Sewer Contract Original	375.31
State Parks Deficit	30.77	Sewer Contract 1951	2,161.72
		Sewer Contract 1952	8,873.75
		Highway Machinery Fund Reserved	17.75
		Acorn Street Land Damages	533.00
		School Cafeteria	322.34

Item	Value
Smith Hughes Barden Fund	434.68
Stand Pipe Balance	177.00
Electric Pump	24.06
New Wells	967.06
Surplus Revenue	12,497.45
	110,407.29
	\$221,468.31



## REPORT ON TOWN INSURANCE

To the Citizens of Millis:

In compliance with section 8 article 5 of the Town By-laws I hereby submit my report on the insurance policies in my possession as of December 31, 1952.

<i>Amount</i>	<i>Property Covered</i>	<i>Company</i>	<i>Expiration</i>
\$25,520.00	Fire Schedule	Penn. Fire	1-1-53
12,760.00	Fire Schedule	Fidelity-Phenix	1-1-53
12,760.00	Fire Schedule	Penn. Fire	1-1-53
25,520.00	Fire Schedule	U. S. Fire	1-1-53
25,520.00	Fire Schedule	Penn. Fire	1-1-54
12,760.00	Fire Schedule	Fidelity-Phenix	1-1-54
12,760.00	Fire Schedule	Penn. Fire	1-1-54
25,520.00	Fire Schedule	U. S. Fire	1-1-54
25,520.00	Fire Schedule	Penn. Fire	1-1-55
12,760.00	Fire Schedule	Fidelity-Phenix	1-1-55
12,760.00	Fire Schedule	Penn. Fire	1-1-55
25,520.00	Fire Schedule	U. S. Fire	1-1-55
25,520.00	Fire Schedule	Penn. Fire	1-1-56
12,760.00	Fire Schedule	Fidelity-Phenix	1-1-56
12,760.00	Fire Schedule	Penn. Fire	1-1-56
25,520.00	Fire Schedule	U. S. Fire	1-1-56
25,520.00	Fire Schedule	Penn. Fire	1-1-57
12,760.00	Fire Schedule	Fidelity-Phenix	1-1-57
12,760.00	Fire Schedule	Penn. Fire	1-1-57
25,520.00	Fire Schedule	Springfield Fire	1-1-57
5,10 limits	Comp. General Liability	London Guarantee	1-1-53
A. C. V.	Fire, Theft and Coll. on Police Car, School Busses	Penn. Fire	1-1-53
A. C. V.	Fire, Theft and Coll. on Highway Trucks	Aetna Casualty	1-1-53
7,200.00 limits	Workmen's Compensation	London Guarantee	1-1-53
7,200.00 limits	Liability on School Bus	London Guarantee	1-1-53
5,10 limits	Liability on School Bus	London Guarantee	1-1-53
5,10 limits	Liability on Police Car	London Guarantee	1-1-53
5,10 limits	Liability on Water Truck	Lumbermen's Mutual	1-1-53
\$4,000.00	Fire and Theft on Fire Trucks	Penn. Fire	1-1-53
7,10 limits	Liability on Highway Trucks	Aetna Casualty	1-1-53
7,10 limits	Liability on Tractor	London Guarantee	1-1-53
	School Sports Medical Exp.	American Casualty	1-3-53
\$10,000.00	Steam Boilers—Water Dept.	Hartford Ins. Co.	1-26-54
7,10 limits	Liability on Fire Trucks	Century Indemnity	3-9-53
	Fire Dept.—Accident	Commercial Casualty	3-10-53
1,000.00	Holdup	Century Indemnity	1-1-55
5,000.00	Boilers—High School	London Guarantee	9-15-53
A. C. V.	Fire, Theft and Coll. on Water Truck	Norfolk & Dedham	5-14-53

Respectfully submitted,

LEONARD W. LINDAHL,

*Town Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BUILDING INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
and the Citizens of Millis:

The School Building Investigating Committee was created to further study the school building situation and the proper handling of the increased school population.

The Committee organized and elected Hugh J. McCarthy, chairman, Mrs. Gertrude Kenney, secretary. Two members of this original Committee, namely, Mrs. Jose Zelman and Samuel Howie, resigned and were replaced by Robert Morse and William Porter. This Committee held sixteen meetings and during their study came to these conclusions, that had been previously reached by the former School Building Investigating Committee and the School Committee:

### 1. Needs

#### 12 Classrooms

#### Kindergarten

#### All Purpose, Cafeteria, Gymnasium, Auditorium

#### Principal's Office

#### Health Room

#### Teachers' Room

### 2. Location

The tennis court area was considered most desirable; available to sewerage and water facilities; conveniently located and may be used at no cost to the town.

### 3. Type of Building

#### 1 story

The former Building Committee worked through the office of Leeds & Associates of Boston and had preliminary plans drawn including the above needs. The present Committee used these plans

to make revisions in the interest of economy.

The 'Tax Payers' Association recommended to the Committee a new type school building being used in Maine. The 'Tax Payers' Association further recommended an architect, Alonzo Harriman of Maine who is building this type of school. Mr. Harriman was invited to meet with the Committee. Mr. Gaatz, a representative of the Harriman firm met with the Committee and explained their type of architecture. Several Committee members visited these schools in Maine.

Due to the fact that a quorum was not present at the special Town Meeting, it was impossible to raise sufficient funds for detailed plans. In some quarters there is strong support for one type and in other quarters there is strong support for another type so that it is wise to study both thoroughly. This Committee did not expend any funds.

Principal Clyde F. Brown, Principal James H. Pettengill and George C. Roy, Superintendent, attended and participated in these meetings in an advisory capacity.

It is hoped that the money requested for the detailed plans will be voted at the Annual Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

HUGH J. McCARTHY, *Chairman*

GERTRUDE KENNEY, *Secretary*

STUART KING

EDWARD MAEL

CHARLES MANDELL

ANTHONY MELESKI

ROBERT MORSE

WILLIAM PORTER

FREDERICK WELCH

*School Building Investigating Committee*

## REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

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### To the Citizens of Millis:

This has been a year of many accomplishments and it is quite difficult to give you an extensive report in a few pages.

The following is a general summary of some of our regular maintenance and service work:

Service calls	226
New service installed	19
Service renewal	12
Gate boxes raised to grade	54
Snow removed from hydrants	2
Gate valves cleaned and repaired	5
Meters changed	19
Meters repaired	34
Meters read	96
Old hydrants moved	4
New hydrants installed	6
Island Road	160 ft. of 6-inch pipe
Main Street	96 ft. of 8-inch pipe

On these two short extensions the pipe was furnished by the Water Dept. from stock. The expense of installation to our specifications was paid by Mr. Joseph Wheeler and Mr. Edwin Farnum, respectively.

The Forest Road extension of 520 ft. of 6 inch pipe was submitted to bids and only one bid was received. This was by C. F. Simpson & Son of Millis whom the contract was awarded to.

Appropriation	\$2,800.00
Warren Pipe Co.	\$980.20
Milford Daily News	25.63
Howard Bailey	50.00

C. E. Simpson & Son	1,198.90
Water Dept. (fittings)	328.00
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>\$2,532.73</b>
<b>Balance to Revenue</b>	<b>217.27</b>

The most important work accomplished this year was a complete inspection to our hydrants done according to the practice of the American Water Works Assn. and the National Board of Fire Underwriters. A card file was made of each one giving the location of street and landmark type and size measurement of gate valves on those that have one so that they might be easily found if trouble should occur together with a list of what maintenance was performed.

Number of Town owned hydrants	138
Number of Private owned hydrants	12
Number of Town owned hydrants gated	49
Number of Private owned hydrants gated	2
Number of hydrants painted	144

#### **Types of Town Hydrants**

##### *Chapman Valve Co.*

List 80 Made in 1880-1908	7
List 82 Made in 1908-1924	75
List 88 Made in 1924-1947	24
List 90 Made in 1947-	6

##### *Darling Valve Co.*

4 inch 1914 model	17
5 inch 1914 model	9

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<b>Total</b>	<b>138</b>
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All Chapman Valve List 82 hydrants were found in very bad condition many inoperative and most of them had to be welded. All 75 required new head bolts and many had to be repacked.



Of the 138 hydrants, only 56 are of a new compression type and can be taken apart internally and repaired without digging. The other 82 are of a slide type valve that has babbit and rubber face rings on the valve that are badly scored and deteriorated. We therefore have a great deal of trouble in keeping them from leaking and freezing. Therefore, considerable thought should be given to replacing them with new ones as time goes by. Possibly a few each year.

Most important of all, a hydrant should never be installed without an auxiliary gate valve.

Another vital spot in the water system was touched upon this year. The standpipe on Farm St. was inspected by an engineer of the Chicago Bridge & Iron Co. of Chicago, Ill. whom the tank was erected by in 1936.

The reason for this was to determine its condition for the safety and health of all our citizens. It was not possible, however, at the time to drain the tank completely due to the present condition of the electric pump we now have. Since the new station is not in operation yet we did not want to overwork the only pump the Town has at the present time. Therefore, the bottom plates on the inside of the tank could not be inspected. However, the certified report states that the tank is in good condition. The report further covers the following recommendations to the Town:

1. Clean out sediment on bottom of the tank as soon as it is possible to drain.
2. Apply asphalt flashing over concrete grill at bottom outer edge to seal the bottom to the foundation.
3. Clean and paint valve pit, pipe and fittings.
4. Paint inner and outer surfaces within the next few years.
5. Keep up Cathodic Protection System.

This year we recommend that a complete study and plan be made of the water system by professional engineering to include a complete hydraulic analysis of the entire system. A general plan for all future extensions and features together with an estimate of cost

of each item to give the Town an orderly plan to go by for the next 25 years. This will also include a set of rules and regulations for adoption to govern all individual and real estate developments. Please do not regard the report made two years ago for additional water supply to be the same as this.

If you can approve of this study and plan then there is no other part of the system left untouched.

### Water Pumping in 1952

	<i>Gallons</i>	<i>Rainfall</i>
January	7,750,000	4.39
February	7,020,000	4.20
March	7,230,000	1.87
April	7,980,000	3.88
May	9,370,000	3.66
June	10,230,000	2.94
July	13,200,000	.24
August	10,090,000	4.69
September	9,450,000	1.68
October	8,960,000	1.34
November	6,810,000	2.31
December	6,350,000	2.16
	104,440,000	33.27
Greatest day—July 14		650,000
Greatest week—July 14 to 20		3,090,000

We thank you for your cooperation during the summer months when the wells were so low. As a result eleven million gallons less was pumped this year than last year.

MRS. LENA ALLEN, WATER REGISTRAR

*In Account With*

THE TOWN OF MILLIS, WATER DEPARTMENT

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Total Commitment	\$14,882.13
Total Receipts	13,066.79
Total Abatements	78.00

Following this report is a complete report covering all the new installations of the pumping station which was voted last year.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND D. WOODMANSEE,  
PAUL T. CLANCY,  
C. LESLIE SIMPSON,  
*Water Commissioners.*

**COFFIN & RICHARDSON, INC.**

CONSULTING ENGINEERS  
68 Devonshire Street  
Boston 9, Massachusetts

January 9, 1953

Board of Water Commissioners  
Town of Millis  
Millis, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

We present herewith a brief summary of the work performed by and under the supervision of this firm during the 1952 calendar year.

Last June you requested from us a proposal for engineering services in connection with various improvements recommended in 1951 by the late Howard E. Bailey Consulting Engineer of Boston. Funds for these projects were appropriated by the Town Meeting of 1952. Our proposal for this work was accepted on June 13, 1952 and we began our work immediately. After a careful review of the preliminary work by Mr. Bailey we made our final design and prepared several contracts, plans and specifications for the work. During construction we have supervised and inspected the work of the various contractors. Following is a brief summary of each contract, the progress thus far and the present status of each contract.

**1. Gravel Packed Well and Pumping Equipment**

On June 30, 1952, bids were received for construction of a gravel packed well and for furnishing and installing pumping equipment. This contract was rather unusual in that the specifications called for a guaranteed yield of 750 gallons per minute. Had the contractor failed to construct a well yielding this amount, the contract would have been null and void and the operation would not have cost the Town of Millis a single cent. One bid was received from the D. L. Maher Company of Cambridge, Mass., in the amount of \$13,535.00. There are only three well contractors in this area capable

of bidding such work. Undoubtedly the reason for only one bidder was the "guaranteed" feature. The D. L. Maher Company had previously performed the test well work and were familiar with the area and hence willing to gamble on a guaranteed well.

Construction of the well began on July 28, 1952 and was completed including testing on September 24, 1952. A seven day continuous pumping test was conducted under our supervision to assure the Town of the guaranteed yield. While the test was conducted at a rate 750 gallons per minute, it was evident from the results that the well is probably capable of yielding 1000 gallons per minute continuously. Since only a 700 gallon per minute pump is to be installed initially, it is evident that the Town of Millis now has an excellent source of sufficient capacity for many years to come. During the pumping test the Massachusetts Department of Public Health took several samples for bacteriological and chemical analysis. The water is pure and similar to that now being distributed through the Town.

The Maher Company has not delivered any of the pumping or electrical equipment pending completion of the pumping station building under another contract. The equipment is scheduled for delivery in February and it is anticipated that by March 1, 1953, the new station will be in service. At present the contract is 42% complete, the remaining 78% representing the value of the pumping and electrical equipment.

## **2. Access Road and Force Main**

It was necessary to construct a new 10-inch cast-iron force main from the new pumping station at the well to connect with the existing mains at the old station. The construction of a gravel access road to the new station was included in the same contract. It would, of course, have been advisable to pave this road; however, it was so designed that it could be paved at some later date. The Board has wisely purchased the 10-inch pipe and fittings directly from the manufacturer thus effecting a substantial saving to the Town. On September 17, 1952, the following bids were received for this contract:



1. Dingley Contracting Company	3,160
2. C. E. Simpson & Son and Dominic Di Pietro & Sons	3,241
3. James S. Smith Co., Inc.	4,476
4. James A. Susi	5,650
5. Frank DiCenso	5,830
6. Conti & Donahue	6,265
7. Barba Construction Company	8,250
8. James A. Munroe & Sons	9,333

Upon our recommendation the Board awarded the contract to the Dingley Contracting Company of Natick and construction work began October 9, 1952. The entire pipe line has been laid and is now ready for service and a considerable portion of the rough road-work has been done. On November 7, 1952, we issued the contractor a stop work order until the spring of 1953. This action was deemed advisable in order to have the final road surface done after all other construction work had been completed. Thus the heavy construction equipment will not have to pass over the finished road. At present this contract is approximately 67% complete. We estimate that two weeks will be required to finish the work following the completion of the pumping station and installation of the pumping equipment.

### 3. Pumping Station

The pumping station is to be entirely of fireproof materials with reinforced concrete foundation walls and floor slab, 8-inch brick masonry walls, and reinforced concrete flat roof slab covered with 4-ply roofing. The building is approximately 14 feet wide by 18 feet long.

On September 17, 1952 the following bids were received for the construction of the brick pumping station at the well site:

1. C. E. Simpson & Son	\$4,424.90
2. Conti & Donahue	5,929.00
3. James A. Munroe & Sons	7,224.53
4. Thomas Mulcare Corp.	7,590.00
5. James A. Smith Co., Inc.	7,678.00

**6. Barba Construction Co.****7,800.00**

Upon our recommendation, the Board awarded the contract to C. E. Simpson & Son of Millis at the bid price. The contract was executed on October 30, 1952 and the contractor commenced work on November 5, 1952. On January 1, 1953 this contract was approximately 55% complete with the concrete foundation wall, concrete floor slab, and brick walls in place.

**4. Removal of Obsolete Equipment From Old Pumping Station**

Several items of equipment at the old pumping station had been condemned by the authorities or were no longer needed or used. These items were part of the old steam system formerly used to power the pumps. The removal of this equipment would provide much needed space in the old pumping station for storing equipment, meters and records of the Water Department. This equipment consisted of two boilers, a steel smoke stack, brick settings for the boilers, a steam turbine and water pump, and miscellaneous piping and fittings. Following bids, a contract was drawn in October between the Town and the John J. Duane Co. of Quincy. Under the terms of the contract, the Duane Co. performed all the work of dismantling and removing this equipment and paid the Town the sum of two thousand dollars. The entire work is completed and the contract has been discharged.

**5. New Heating System for Old Pumping Station**

The removal of the steam facilities at the old pumping station necessitated the installation of a new heating system at this building. We designed a new low pressure steam system with unit type heaters. This contract also included a brick chimney. Bid for this work were received on November 3, 1952 as follows:

1. Niro & Niro Company	\$2,875
2. Edward LaCroix	2,999
3. E. J. Devlin Co.	3,482
4. Ross Plumbing & Heating Co.	5,500
5. Wm. M. Collins Co.	6,400

After some negotiation the contract was awarded on November 26, 1952 to the Niro & Niro Co. of Milford at an adjusted contract price of \$2 725. The system was promptly installed and in service by December 23, 1952. Approximately 5 per cent of the work remains, mostly clean up and adjustment. The system is operating in fine order and was completed just in time for the first real cold weather.

## **6. Miscellaneous Work**

In addition to the above contract work, we assisted the Board in negotiations with the Boston Edison Company for extension of the power lines to the new well site. Metering equipment and miscellaneous special piping items for installation in the new pumping station were purchased directly from manufacturers at a substantial saving.

## **SUMMARY**

Except for supervision of those portions of the above contracts which have not been completed, the work of our agreement of last June is completed. We should like to take this opportunity to commend the Board of Water Commissioners Mr. Ray Woodmansee, Chairman; and Messers. Paul T. Clancy and Leslie Simpson who have been untiring in their efforts to obtain the best possible construction and equipment for the Town of Millis at the lowest possible prices. These new works constructed or under construction will give the Town of Millis an entirely new collection and pumping system at a very reasonable cost. The new station includes a gasoline engine for driving the pump in event of power failure. Since the abandonment of the steam drive in the old station, no auxiliary power has been available and in the event of interruption of the electrical service, the Town of Millis would have been without a source of water as they have no emergency interconnection with other towns. The Board plans to keep in reserve the existing electric pump in the old station, a very wise move. The removal of the large boilers and the installation of the new heating system provides an excellent waterworks shop for repairs and maintenance.

We have indeed enjoyed our work and association during the past year in the Town of Millis.

Very truly yours,

COFFIN & RICHARDSON, INC.

John C. Adams, Jr.

*Annual Report*  
*of the*  
**School Committee**  
*and*

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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**Town of Millis**

*for the*

FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1952





## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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Hugh J. McCarthy, Jr. Chairman	Term Expires 1953
Residence, Curve Street	
Gertrude Weinstein Recording Secretary	Term Expires 1954
Residence, Norfolk Street	
Earl H. Merkle Financial Secretary	Term Expires 1954
Residence, Plain Street	
Robert W. McDonough	Term Expires 1955
Residence, Main Street	
Frederick J. Welch	Term Expires 1955
Residence, Exchange Street	
Regular meeting held second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 P. M. in the High School Building	

### Superintendent of Schools

GEORGE C. ROY

Residence 67 North Street Medfield	Tel. Medfield 576
Office Millis Consolidated School	Tel. Millis 142

### Secretary of the School Department

DOROTHY THUMITH

Office, Millis High School	Tel. Millis 142
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High School Principal

CLYDE F. BROWN

Assistant High School Principal

HENRY M. DOYLE

Elementary Principal

JAMES H. PETTENGILL

School Physician

JACOB ZALVAN, M.D.

School Nurse

MYRTLE COLDWELL, R.N.

Custodians and Attendance Officers

ARTHUR WATSON

JOSEPH JOHNSON

**SCHOOL CENSUS****October 1, 1952**

	<i>5-6 Years</i>	<i>7-16 Years</i>	<i>Over 16</i>	<i>Total</i>
<b>Registration</b>				
Boys	63	198	17	278
Girls	48	195	10	253
Totals	111	393	27	531
<b>Distribution</b>				
In Public Schools	109	365	23	497
In Private Schools	1	15		16
In Vocational Schools		4		4
In Agricultural School		2	4	6
Other Schools	1	6		7
Not in School		1		1
Totals	111	393	27	531

**SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1952 - 1953****High School — 39 Weeks**

Fall Term began	September 3, 1952
Closed	December 23, 1952
Winter Term began	January 5, 1953
Closes	February 20, 1953
Early Spring term begins	March 2, 1953
Closes	April 17, 1953
Late Spring Term begins	April 27, 1953
Closes	When 180 days completed

**Elementary School — 38 Weeks**

The same as for the High School except that Late Spring Term closes approximately one week earlier.

**Daily Sessions**

Kindergarten — (Morning Session)	8:45-11:30
(Afternoon Session)	12:30-2:30
Grades One through Three	8:45-11:50—12:20-2:30
Grades Four through Six	8:45-12:20—12:50-2:30
Grades Seven and Eight	8:25-11:05—11:25-2:00
Grades Nine through Twelve	8:25-11:25—11:55-2:00

**Holidays**

October 13	Columbus Day
October 31	Norfolk Teachers' Convention
November 11	Armistice Day
November 27-28	Thanksgiving
April 3	Good Friday

**Storm Signals**

22 at 7:15 A. M. Also listen for radio announcements over WBZ and WKOX at 7:00 A. M.

## SCHOOL PERSONNEL—Continued

## 1952 — SCHOOL PERSONNEL — 1953

School	Assignment	Name	No. yrs. exp.	Began service in Millis	Education
City	Superintendent	George C. Roy	17	Sept. 1949	B.A., Providence College M.Ed., Boston University C.A.G.S., Boston University
High	Principal	Clyde F. Brown	31	Sept. 1924	B.S., University of Vt.
High	Assistant Principal, Social Studies	Helen M. Doyle	4	Sept. 1948	A.B., Clark University
High	Languages, History	Helen M. Fiola	7	Sept. 1947	A.B., Emmanuel College
High	Mathematics, Chem.	Mary K. Gavin	18	Jan. 1935	A.B., Emmanuel College
High	Commercial	Mary M. Barrett	16	Sept. 1940	B.S., M.Ed., Boston University
High	Commercial	Dorothy Magraw	18	Sept. 1949	B.S. in Ed., Salem State Tchrs. Coll.
High	English	Margaret A. Sellers	3	Sept. 1949	A.B., Regis College
High	Languages (Temp.)	Helen H. Fealey	14	Sept. 1952	Westfield Teachers College
High	History, Coach	James M. Parsons	1	Sept. 1952	B.S., Boston College
Jr. High	Phys. Ed., Science, Asst. Coach	Edward Tamulevicius	1	Sept. 1952	B.S. in Ed., B. U. School of Education
Jr. High	English	Nancy M. Nolan	5	Sept. 1947	A.B., Emmanuel College
Jr. High	Mathematics Biology	Eleanor E. Kenney	5	Sept. 1947	B.S., Simmons College



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High, Elem.	Physical Education	Joan McKinstry	2	Sept. 1951	B.S., Sargent College
Elem.	Principal	James H. Pettengill	5	Apr. 1951	B.S. in Ed., Bridgewater S.T.C.
Elem.	Grade 6	Patricia A. Walsh	3	Sept. 1950	A.B., Newton College of the Sacred Heart
Elem.	Grade 5	Eleanor Hannigan	2	Sept. 1951	A.B., Emmanuel College
Elem.	Grade 5	Rose M. Blom	22	Sept. 1941	A.B., Boston University
Elem.	Grade 4	Katherine Conroy	11	Sept. 1945	Salem State Teachers College
Elem.	Grade 4	Eileen C. O'Keeffe	2	Sept. 1951	B.S., Emmanuel, M.Ed., Boston Coll.
Elem.	Grade 3	Ellen Horan	32	1920	Chandler Secretarial
Elem.	Grade 2	Helen A. Brennan	26	1926	Worcester S.T.C., Framingham S.T.C.
Elem.	Grade 2	Sibyl A. Enegren	19	Nov. 1938	A.B., Wheaton College
Elem.	Grade 1	Mary Rogers	8	Dec. 1950	Lowell S.T.C.
Elem.	Grade 1	Helena Wasnewsky	1	Sept. 1952	B.S. in Ed., Framingham S.T.C.
Elem.	Kindergarten	Mildred Kingsbury	11	Sept. 1947	Framingham S.T.C.

### SPECIAL TEACHERS

Household Arts, Cafeteria	H. Jeanne Currivan	2	Sept. 1951	A.B., Regis College
Music	Eleanor Edwards	15	Sept. 1950	B. in Music N.E. Conservatory of Music
Art	Dorothy Wallace		Sept. 1949	B.S. in Ed., Mass. Art M. in Ed., Boston University
Industrial Art	Richard A. Young	3	Sept. 1949	Wentworth Institute Fitchburg S.T.C.

School	Assignment	Name	No. yrs. exp.	Began service in Millis	Education
		HEALTH DEPARTMENT			
	Nurse	Myrtle A. Caldwell		Sept. 1942	R.N., Mass. Memorial Hospital

SCHOOL CLERK

Dorothy Thumith                      Nov. 1947

CUSTODIANS AND ATTENDANCE OFFICERS

Joseph Johnson  
Arthur Watson

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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### To the Citizens of Millis:

We present herewith our report of the Millis Consolidated Schools for the year 1952.

At the Town Meeting on February 19, 1952, it was voted to increase the membership of the School Committee to five members, and this change went into effect in 1952, thus this past year began the participation of five members on your School Committee.

Early in the school year a meeting was held with the faculty and administrators in order to get acquainted. At that time the Committee presented to them a set of Rules and Regulations relative to policy, etc., and duties of all personnel, and certain regulations affecting students. These rules were carefully drawn and carefully explained so that there should be no question of what is expected of everyone.

The entrance age of pupils was set for entrance to Kindergarten five years by January 1, and for first grade six years by January 1. We did not continue the pre-school testing as it was found that too small a percentage were able to pass these tests, and even a smaller percentage were able to keep with the grade.

A new bus was purchased, and as was explained last year—Millis receives complete net reimbursement from the State for this in three yearly payments. In effect, our busses cost us nothing, although an appropriation is made at Town Meeting, the money is fully returned to the town. We hope that while the State continues this policy we shall be able to trade our busses every three years, and thus keep down our repair and operating costs.

Some repairs have been made on the outside of the building. Because the amount of the budget is always trimmed down considerably, repairs are often postponed. However, we had part of the Auditorium pointed up, and two sections of gutter were replaced.

It is still necessary to do further work on other sections of gutter which are in poor condition, and the outside of the building needs a paint job.

For the convenience of the public and students we were able to acquire a pay phone booth at no cost to us, nor do we have to guarantee an amount of intake.

A new type of report card was used this year in the elementary department following the trend in many other school systems. Educators believe that this type of card is much better for the student and the teacher.

Again this year through the kindness of Fred Brynne of Walpole we have a Driver Education car which we share with Melville. With the great numbers of cars on our highways today we feel it is wise to train our future drivers in the right methods at an early age.

We have granted the Civilian Defense Organization permission to erect an observation booth on the School roof, as this is the only adequate spot in the town.

Our Cafeteria is self-sustaining again this year, and we are proud of its management. We are happy too that we do not have to ask for funds to meet a deficit as do many neighboring towns.

You will notice that our salary budget is higher this year. This is the first time in the past few years the minimum starting salaries of teachers has been increased to a point where it is now \$2700 per year and there is a possibility that it may be \$2700 next year. In the past although we met the minimum requirement we did very little to increase the salary of teachers who had been here many years, with the result that a beginning teacher received almost as much as one who had years of experience.

This year we adopted a salary schedule which you will find in the Superintendent's report. We are planning gradually to adjust the salaries of the teachers so that each will get his rightful amount on the schedule until he reaches the maximum. We hope that this will tend to check the turnover in personnel which we have had due to salary problems.

Again this year we wish to thank the people and organizations for the prizes and awards which they so generously give to our worthy students and we wish especially to thank the Millis Post No. 208 American Legion of Millis for their annual \$300 scholarship. We feel that these are great inducements for the boys and girls to better their scholastic work and for development of character.

Early this year we had the problem of students with cars who felt that they could go off during noon hour taking other students with them. We believed that the responsibility was too great for the administration who is supposed to know the whereabouts of students during school hours. This led to our ruling that students may not leave the school grounds from the time they arrive in the morning until they are dismissed in the afternoon unless they have specific permission to do so. We feel that if only one child is saved from injury by this ruling it is worth enforcement.

In another article we are again asking for a Recreation Program for this summer. Our supervised playground we feel was a success and since it was an experiment last year we believe that we can iron out some of the kinks this year so that it will be an even better program.

We call your attention to the reports of the various administrative personnel which will give you a broader picture of our school operations.

Our sincerest thanks to the school administration, faculty, service personnel, the Parent Teacher Association and all others who have helped make this a successful year.

Respectfully submitted,

HUGH J. McCARTHY, JR., *Chairman,*

GERTRUDE WEINSTEIN, *Secretary*

EARL MERKLE, *Rec. Secretary*

ROBERT McDONOUGH, *Member*

FREDERICK J. WELCH, *Member*

*School Committee.*



# FINANCIAL REPORT

## MILLIS SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

December 31, 1952

Item	Amount Expended	% of Total
Operating Expenses	\$6,047.05	5.80
Elementary Texts	1,261.86	1.25
Jr.-Sr. High Texts	1,039.81	1.10
Nursing & Medical Supplies	237.99	.03
Athletics	1,781.93	1.69
Music	206.14	.20
Art	209.20	.20
High School Supplies	1,894.81	1.80
Elementary Supplies	536.44	.51
Testing Program	152.51	.14
Superintendent Travel	233.32	.22
Committee Expenses	24.25	.02
Office Expenses, Telephone	599.61	.57
Transportation	1,073.35	1.02
Repairs and New Equipment	5,105.66	4.85
Salaries	84,653.48	80.48
Convention Expenses	102.30	.10
Personnel Expenses	21.50	.02
	<hr/> \$105,181.21	<hr/> 100.00%

### REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee of the Town of Millis:

I herewith submit my fourth annual report as Superintendent of School. It is the sixty-first in a series of school reports and includes the reports of the Principals, Supervisors, Coaches, and other Department Heads.

This report gives us a bird's-eye view of the daily school life both in the classroom and in extra-curricular activities.

**Enrollment**

As of October 1, our enrollment was as follows:

<b>Enrollment</b>		<b>Enrollment</b>	
<b>Grade K</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>Grade 7</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>33</b>		<hr/>
		<b>Total</b>	<b>497</b>

With large groups entering our schools each year it can readily be seen that we must have more room. The building is overcrowded and we are unable to operate with maximum efficiency. Briefly:

1. The school library has a temporary partition and is used for two classrooms.
2. One of the regular classrooms is likewise partitioned so we may use it for two classes.
3. Classes are held in the teachers' room causing great inconvenience.
4. The cafeteria is used as a study hall.
5. The present study hall which occupies the room used for Household Arts prevents the use of this room for the purpose intended.
6. The chemistry laboratory as well as the typing room are used as home rooms which is not a good arrangement.
7. Even with these overcrowded conditions it appears that we shall need one additional room next September. The need for a new school building is most urgent.

We are unable to operate with the maximum degree of efficiency with the present overcrowded conditions. It appears that the proper solution is the erection of an elementary unit. We earnestly urge that the townspeople appropriate a sum of money for further study of the problem as well as proposed preliminary plans for a new school.

### TEACHERS' SALARY SCHEDULE

The School Committee adopted in principle the following salary schedule effective September, 1952:

Years of Experience in Millis	Bachelor's Degree or Equivalent	Master's Degree
First	\$2,500	\$2,700
Second	2,600	2,800
Third	2,700	2,900
Fourth	2,800	3,000
Fifth	2,900	3,100
Sixth	3,000	3,200
Seventh	3,100	3,300
Eighth	3,200	3,400
Ninth	3,300	3,500
Tenth	3,400	3,600

The minimum of \$2,500 must be paid according to the Acts of 1952. May I add at this time we have teachers who are not receiving salaries comparable to what should be paid them due to their training and experience according to the above schedule. The committee felt that this should be done over a period of time rather than all at once. Even as this is being prepared there is legislation which will be presented to the General Court which will establish a minimum of \$2,500 if passed.

### REPAIRS AND NEW EQUIPMENT

During 1952 some major repairs were made as well as the purchasing of some new equipment. It would seem wise to set aside money for some repairs yearly. (The joint committee is requesting funds for the year 1953. Once the building is in good condition if a reasonable amount of money is spent for this purpose each year it would be a good investment for the town and would keep the building in excellent condition.

In 1952 the following was done:

1. New fluorescent lights were installed in two classrooms. (This project has been going on for about four years and this completes the replacing of lights in all classrooms. The lights in the cafeteria are of the incandescent type and could be replaced a few at a time.)
2. One set of heavy outside metal doors has been purchased and ordered to replace the old wooden doors. (This replacing of doors is another project which will take a few years to

complete.)

3. One section of the auditorium which was leaking has been weather proofed.
4. New gutters have been put up to replace the old leaking ones over the rear of the gymnasium.
5. Additions have been made for the garage doors so that your school busses are securely housed and locked.
6. A rebuilt comptometer has been purchased for the Commercial Department.
7. Six classrooms and hallways, as well as the basement floors were painted by the custodians last summer.
8. A new 1932 school bus was purchased. Over a period of three years the net cost of this bus will be repaid to the Town of Millis.
9. A public telephone booth is now available for public use at the rear of the auditorium.
10. The lights of glass in the skylight as well as the damaged windows in the auditorium were replaced.

### POINT OF VIEW

Last fall a system of parent-teacher conferences which was scheduled after school hours was put into practice for the elementary unit and have proved invaluable. In addition a new type of report card is being used for the elementary grades. At present the law states that boys and girls must remain in school until they reach the age of sixteen and since that is the case it would seem that the program should be such that it is of interest to youth up to this age. The habit of meeting success rather than of meeting failure is better for the pupil. To a certain extent work is planned in proportion to the ability of the student. That is one reason why we have more than one reading group within a classroom. One can readily see that this grouping extends beyond the field of reading.

### READING

Going back to School reports as early as 1897-1898 the importance of reading was stressed. In part I quote as follows:

"Much emphasis has been given this subject (reading) in preceding reports, but there is no more danger of overestimating its importance in our schools, than there is of having too



many good readers."

It is needless to add that this is the avenue used to acquire knowledge of our fellow men and their surroundings in history and geography or the so-called social studies. Even in the fields of mathematics and science without the proper reading abilities it would be almost impossible to carry on and solve the problems. Though a half-century has passed the emphasis in our curriculum is still on reading and in the mind of the writer always will be on reading. We are using material and techniques to assist pupils at all levels to improve reading abilities.

This year a plan is being followed at the high school level whereby an activity period is scheduled daily and with this plan there are no interruptions of the daily program.

### VOCATIONAL TRANSPORTATION AND TUITION

During the school year 1951-52, three boys attended Vocational or Trade Schools in other communities. The State law allows transportation and tuition to any State-Aided Day Vocational School that offers the course that the pupil is interested in pursuing. In addition six attended the Norfolk County Agricultural School. Different pupils have various abilities and interest and many who attend trade, vocational or the Agricultural school are better prepared for life for having done so.

### CHANGES IN PERSONNEL

#### Resigned

Marjorie Laidlaw  
Dorothy Gustavson  
Melvin Jacobs  
John Sweeney  
Julius Doliner  
Helen Fiola (Leave of Absence)  
Walter Mendoza (Temporary)

#### Elected

James Parsons  
Edward Tamuleviz  
Helena Wasnewsky  
Helen Feeley (Temporary)

Mrs. Laidlaw resigned last spring and Mrs. Gustavson, after an absence of three years, resigned to be at home, and we employed Mrs. Mary V. Carter and Mrs. Helen Carberry to complete the 1951-52 school year. Melvin Jacobs resigned with the thought of further study in mind. John Sweeney and Julius Doliner left to enter the business field, while Walter Mendoza, who has been employed temporarily, accepted a teaching position in Athol.

James Parsons, Edward Tamuleviz and Helena Wasnewsky were hired during the summer. The first two handle, in addition to their



teaching duties, the coaching duties with Mr. Parsons serving in the capacity of head football coach, basketball and baseball coach, and Mr. Tamulevitz handling the assistant football coaching position as well as Junior High basketball coach and Junior High School baseball coach as well as boys' Physical Education instructor. Helena Wasniewsky was employed at the Elementary level to teach Grade 1 and Mrs. Helen Feeley was engaged for the year to handle the program normally assigned to Helen Fiola who is on leave of absence.

Since last June we have rearranged the Junior-Senior High school assignment so that we could operate with one teacher less. At the Elementary level we likewise were able to work with one teacher less during the present school year, but we know now that we shall have to hire one additional Elementary teacher for next September due to the increase in enrollment.

We extend our thanks and appreciation to those who left us and wish them success in the present areas of endeavor, and we welcome our new faculty members and wish them success and happiness.

### FINANCES

	1952 '	Estimated 1953
Budget	\$109,069.32	\$115,867.63
Spent	105,181.21	
Reimbursement	36,936.96	36,936.96
<b>State Reimbursement</b>		
Chapter 70 (General School Fund)	\$21,000.88	\$20,378.66
Tuition, State Wards	284.88	284.88
Transportation, State Wards	32.80	32.80
Union Superintendent's Salary-Travel	1,244.44	1,866.66
All School Transportation	4,373.96	4,373.96
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	\$36,936.96	\$36,936.96
Maintenance of Evening Practical Arts	\$77.50	\$77.50
Tuition of Pupils at Vocational Schools	320.97	320.97
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Total Vocational Reimbursement	\$398.47	\$398.47
Total Reimbursement	\$37,335.43	\$37,335.43

May I at this time extend my appreciation for the cooperation offered by the members of the School Committee, the Principals, the

entire school personnel and townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE C. ROY,  
Superintendent of Schools.

## REPORT OF THE JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH PRINCIPAL

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit my annual report for the school year of 1952.

### ENROLLMENT

I continue to include the enrollment of our school each year for the convenience of those who may care to follow the growth and change in grade. The following table shows our enrollment on October 1, 1952:

#### Elementary

	Grade	Boys	Girls	No. by Room	No. by Grade
Mildred A. Kingsbury	K	40	16	56	56
Mary A. Rogers	I	12	9	21)	43
Helena Wasnewsky	I	9	13	22)	
Helen A. Brennan	II	11	13	24)	46
Sibyl A. Enegren	II	9	13	22)	
Ellen R. Horan	III	16	17	33	33
Katherine H. Conroy	IV	13	14	27)	54
Eileen C. O'Keeffe	IV	11	16	27)	
Rose M. Blom	V	13	9	22)	47
Eleanor Hannigan	V	13	12	25)	
Patricia Walsh	VI	17	16	33	33
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Totals		164	148	312	312

#### Junior High

Nancy M. Nolan	VII	19	19	38	38
Edward Tamuleviz	VIII	8		8)	36
Helen H. Feeley	VIII	13	15	28)	
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Totals		40	34	74	74

#### Senior High

Mary K. Gavin	IX	11	8	19)	34
Dorothy Magraw	IX	7	8	15)	
Eleanor E. Kenney	X	15	13	28	28
Margaret A. Sellers	XI	12	15	27	27
Mary H. Barrett	XII	9	13	22	22
Totals		54	57	111	111
Totals All Grades					497

GRADUATES OF 1952

Graduates of the class of 1952 have entered schools of higher learning or the United States Service as follows:

William K. Clark	University of Massachusetts, Amherst
Donald W. Frank	East Coast Aero. Tech. School, Bedford
Albert H. Gurner	U. S. Coast Guard
George E. Lipsett	U. S. Coast Guard
James W. Murphy	Notre Dame, South Bend, Ind.
Donald W. Sharpe	Mass. Inst. of Technology, Boston
Judith A. Parrier	Frammingham Teachers College, Frammingham
Nancy M. Brodeur	Fisher Business College, Boston
Jacqueline Murtagh	Aviation Training School, Boston
Elizabeth A. Smith	Aviation Training School, Boston
Joan E. Tabor	Writtner School of Floral Design, Boston

CROWDED CONDITIONS

I take it for granted that those familiar with our present crowded condition in the Junior-Senior High School understand our need. We still can seat our school population in their respective home rooms without difficulty but the need of classrooms is serious. We are using the teachers room for two small classes each day, the cafeteria is used for a study hall two periods daily to allow the regular study hall to be used as a classroom. The typewriting room with its benches and typewriters is used for a classroom when typing is not being taught there. It is fortunate that we are going to have a single class of 33 pupils come into the Junior High School in September, 1953. If a large class or a double grade were to enter Grade VII next September, we would not have the room to accommodate them. The Junior-Senior High School rooms have been given over to the elementary grades until the limit has been reached. Fortunately, we have a class of only 21 graduating in 1953, and a similar number in 1954. Classes below those two are larger, and in most years after 1953 a double grade will be entering the Junior High School, and more adequate classroom facilities will be a must.

### DISTRACTIONS FROM SCHOOL WORK

It seems to me that there is a growing number of distractions for many members of our high school population. Out of school desires and activities are hindering our pupils from being in school regularly and thus doing their best work from day to day, in order to get the most out of their high school training. In most cases I contribute this evil to the fact that there is too little or no guidance on the part of parent. I believe every parent should realize the importance of a high school education, and take the interest in his child or children to see they are in school regularly and on time, and are making satisfactory progress in school work. Report cards go to the home six times a year. When thought desirable, notices are sent home between times.

### REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

A pupil's progress through high school is determined by the number of credits earned each school year. I quote the following from Rules and Regulations of the School Committee of the Town of Millis:

No high school pupil is to carry less than four solid subjects plus Physical Education at any time unless special permission is granted by the Principals. Each year each student will carry twenty credits plus Physical Education unless special permission is granted by the Principals. To complete the Freshman year twenty credits in the solid subjects plus one credit for Physical Education must be earned. To complete the Sophomore year, forty credits in the solid subjects plus two credits in Physical Education must be earned. To complete the Junior year, sixty credits in the solid subjects plus three credits in Physical Education must be earned. To graduate eighty credits in the solid subjects plus four credits in Physical Education must be earned.

Simply stated, this means a pupil must successfully pass four solid subjects and physical education each school year to be advanced to the next grade. All pupils are required to pass four years of English for graduation. In addition, for a number of years we have required all ninth grade pupils to take civics, tenth grade pupils to take biology, eleventh grade pupils to take United States history (required by law), and twelfth grade pupils to take the course, Problems in Democracy.

### FIRST AID CLASS

This year Eleanor Kenney successfully conducted a Red Cross First Aid class in connection with the tenth grade biology class. Mrs.



Kenney is a registered nurse and a certified American Red Cross instructor. Thirty-one pupils received their First Aid certificates from the American Red Cross. The First Aid class will be conducted again this year as a part of the biology requirement.

### ACTIVITIES

On March 27 and 28 the Senior High School presented a minstrel show for the benefit of the Athletic Association under the direction of Miss Margaret Sellers and Mr. John Sweeney, assisted by Mr. Richard Young as general manager, and Lawrence McDonough at the piano.

The Parents' Committee for the Washington trip was organized with the following officers:

Robert Brodeur, Chairman  
Daniel Murphy, Secretary  
Ida Mae Clark, Treasurer

The parents and members of the Senior Class raised sufficient funds to pay for the trip, cost of the class year book, and at Graduation gave the school a tape recorder.

Good Government Day was observed at the State House on April 16. Donald Sharpe represented our school.

On May 8 the Junior Promenade and Senior Reception was held. This event was a success and well attended. The grand march was directed by Mrs. Wilmae Thorne, and was led by Mary O'Donnell, President of the Junior Class, and George Lipsett, Treasurer of the Senior Class.

The American Legion Post 208 sent two Junior boys, Donald Cox and Charles Harris, to Boys' State at the University of Massachusetts for one week. All expenses were paid by the Legion.

The American Legion Auxiliary sent Cynthia Simpson to Girls' State at Bridgewater Teachers College for a week, her expenses being paid by the Auxiliary.

The Mills High School Graduation was held on Wednesday, June 11. The following awards were made:

- To Geroldine Christian, The Balfour Award for scholarship, loyalty, and achievement;
- To Donald Sharpe, The Bausch and Lomb Award for excellence in the sciences;
- To June Barrier, Valedictorian, the Readers' Digest Award of a one year's subscription;



To Charles Hackett, the Harvard Book Award, given by the Harvard Club of Boston, and sponsored by Mr. Peter H. Solomon;

To Geraldine Christian, the Good Citizenship Certificate awarded by the Daughters of the American Revolution;

To Carol Greene, a trophy for excellence in United States History, given by the Quinobequin Teachers' Club;

To June Lutter, The American Legion Scholarship, presented by the Commander of the American Legion Post 238.

On December 4 the Senior Class presented their play, "A Date With Judy," under the direction of Miss Margaret Sellers. Following are the names of those in the cast and on the committees:

### Cast

Cynthia Simpson  
Richard Bayramshian  
Selva Patino  
Howard Ingraham  
Marion Kenney  
Elaine Barry  
Donald Cox

Louise Cassidy  
Michael Mushnick  
Elena Costa  
Mary O'Donnell  
Carol Greene  
Charles Harris  
Claire Lipsett

Stage Manager:  
Property Manager:  
Prompter:

Phillip Gilpatrick  
Richard Bayramshian  
Marie LaBounty

### Advertising Committee

Elaine Barry  
Richard Bayramshian  
Carol Greene  
Howard Ingraham

Donald Cox  
Elena Costa  
Janet Brodeur  
Claire Lipsett

### Ticket Committee

Mary O'Donnell  
Muriel Winiker

Marie LaBounty  
Helena Simarrian

### Candy Committee

Billy Tate

Louise Cassiday

### Usherettes

Marie LaBounty  
Helena Simarrian  
Muriel Winiker

Janet Brodeur  
Katherine Bison  
Deirdre MacLeod

Our high school football team enjoyed another successful season under the leadership of James Parsons and Edward Tamul-viz. There was only one defeat and that was against a strong Lynn Vocational School team, 6-0. Our objective game with Medway was won, 41-19. On Thursday evening, December 11, the Millis Booster Club gave the boys and coaches a banquet in appreciation of their efforts and success. In addition, Mr. George F. Harris, Chairman of the Booster Club, presented each boy on the football squad, from the seventh grade through the twelfth, with a tie clip and cuff-link set, on which was engraved the name of their Medway-Millis game. This event was an excellent feature on the part of the Booster Club, and was very much appreciated by the boys.

In regard to football, for the purpose of good sportsmanship, let it be understood for all future games that may be played with our rival Medway on the Millis High School athletic field, this rule should be followed. In case Millis is defeated, the coach or captain, or both will present the football used in the game to the Medway coach or captain. In case of a victory for Millis, Millis retains the football used in the game.

The activities for the year came to an end on December 17 with a very colorful Christmas program, including the Elementary, Junior and Senior High School grades, under the direction of our music teacher, Mrs. Eleanor Edwards.

### CERTIFICATE GRADES

I wish to commend the following pupils in the Junior-Senior High School for maintaining excellent scholastic records for the last school year:

#### Over 90 Percent in All Subjects

10th Grade	9th Grade	8th Grade	7th Grade
Joan Meleski	Isaac Kramnick	Martin Veiner	Karen Blom
Geraldine Zalyan	Shirley Spencer	Lisette Walter	

#### Over 85 Percent in All Subjects

11th Grade	10th Grade	9th Grade
Carol Greene	Deirdre MacLeod	William Keough
Marie LaBounty	Helen Clark	Elizabeth Bentley
Selva Patino	Katherine Bison	Virginia DuHamel
	Joan Sidman	

**8th Grade**

Thomas Keough  
Stephen Cushman

**7th Grade**

Sandra Macleod  
Linda Rosen  
Samuel Powel

In conclusion, I wish to thank the School Committee, the Superintendent of Schools, the teachers, the janitors, and all others who have helped to make this a successful school year.

Respectfully submitted,

CLYDE F. BROWN,  
Principal.

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### REPORT OF THE ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL

To the Superintendent of Schools:

It is my pleasure to submit to you my report of the elementary grades, kindergarten through grade six. My feeling is that we have made considerable progress toward accomplishing goals which are set for the year covered by this report.

For the first eight weeks of the fall term we had a student teacher from Emerson State Teachers College to assist Miss Walsh in grade six. Miss Kilmara is the student teacher in a graduate of Mills High School and is now studying at teachers college. We are fortunate to have these teachers who come to the town at no cost in order to gain practical experience in teaching.

By having gym classes in the various rooms, it was possible to bring the children closer down to the ground floor and give them a room more suitable for kindergarten purposes. Toilet facilities and fire exits are more readily available for the small children from this room. Our toilet facilities are inadequate at best for the teaching of good health habits. It is impossible under the present setup for more than a very few children to wash their hands before eating the noon meal. Because of the large enrollment in the primary grades, we will be faced with a serious housing shortage in the fall. It is hoped that some relief will be in sight in the near future. Several rooms at present are operating under very overcrowded and substandard conditions.

We have revised our testing program and are giving the tests in the fall of the year rather than the spring. The tests are diagnostic. In

nature rather than testing achievement alone. By using this procedure we can determine children's difficulties early in the year and attempt to remedy them in the months to come. We have put in a system of scheduling interviews between parents and teachers early in the year. The parents of each child were contacted by the school and a private interview was scheduled after school between parent and teacher. We had nearly one hundred per cent cooperation on the part of parents. Regardless of whether a child is doing well or poorly in his school work, parent and teacher can profit by an exchange of ideas about the child and his work.

This cooperation between parents and teachers has been extended to include room mothers. The Parent-Teacher Association has been very helpful in this respect. The mothers of two children in each room were assigned to help the teacher on special occasions such as trips, parties, or special programs the children were working on.

The new reading series which we put in last fall is working out well. The program is a balanced one and includes a well developed phonics approach. To reassure those parents who may have had doubts, may I say that our present reading setup includes as well developed phonics program as is on the market today. This is supplemented by teacher prepared phonics material where children who have a poor ear for sounds need special help.

Our reading program has also been helped by the purchase of books for room libraries. Free book loans from the State Department of Education Library have been used. We hope to expand this program in the year to come. This makes a large number of books available to the school at almost no cost. A set of encyclopedias and classroom atlases have been purchased for grades four, five, and six. The proper use of reference materials is one of the most important habits a child can develop. He must have these materials available, however, to learn to use them. We have expanded our facilities along this line a great deal this year. The teaching of proper study and work habits cannot be started too early. If properly trained in these areas a child will carry these habits with him in later life no matter what line of work he chooses.

A new arithmetic series is being tried in several rooms. Grades one and two now have a formal arithmetic book which goes with the new series. Results are being studied at present and will be evaluated in the future.

Through the cooperation of the post office department at Mills our School Savings Program has been continued and expanded. This program helps children to establish early in life habits of thrift and



regular saving. A considerable number of children now hold over one hundred dollars in bonds.

We have put in a new system of reporting pupil progress in grade one through eight. These new report cards were developed with the help of many people. Parents, teachers, and committee members offered helpful and constructive suggestions. It is important to remember that no two children are exactly alike in their maturity and ability, and we must report them at all and not at all. The new report card attempts to make in terms of what he is able to do rather than by comparison with the accomplishment of other children. The concept of a standard is not suited to the child, especially small children.

At the close of the school year last June, a two day meeting was held for the planning of the year. Both Miller and Newton reported on their progress in regard to teaching methods and various items of the curriculum were discussed. Radio and films were used and films were shown on civil defense for schools.

In closing my report, I wish to thank the School Committee, the Superintendent of Schools, the faculty, and all others who have contributed to the success of the school year.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. PETTENGILL,  
Elementary Principal.

## REPORT OF GUIDANCE PROGRAM

To the Superintendent of Schools:

It is with a good deal of pleasure that I can report this year that our guidance program is now well established on a firm basis and that it is adequately fulfilling its mission of educational and vocational aid to the young people of Millis. Our philosophy has been that guidance is not something to be done in one room at a desk but that it must permeate the entire school experience of the individual pupil, serving as an indicator to correct curriculum and offering an evaluation of opportunities for after school years.

This year we reexamined our testing program, resulting in two additions which have been of immense value. Through the aid of Mr. George Larkin of the Milford office of the United States Unemployment Service, seniors are offered a battery of tests to determine



their abilities in a variety of fields. This service is of particular benefit to those not desiring to further their education but who will enter the labor market immediately.

A second addition to our testing program was the introduction of the Kuder Vocational Preference Record. The Kuder is not a test in the true sense of the word, but what it attempts to accomplish is an investigation into several occupational fields in which the pupil has shown an interest. This provides a systematic approach to selection of an occupation and in a manner does away with the selection of an occupation by chance.

In the coming term we are to introduce a Primary Abilities Test in the seventh grade. The purpose of this test will be to establish a profile of five separate abilities which, by analysis, will be of great aid in planning curriculum for the high school.

This year we carried out our Career Day Program with Medfield High School as usual, the testing of Juniors by Boston University Testing Service as well as occupational units in our Civics and Problems of Democracy courses. Individual interviews have been held with Seniors and lower classes as needed. Group guidance has been attempted and if possible will be enlarged in the future.

We wish to thank Mr. Brown, the member of the faculty and yourself for splendid cooperation in carrying out this program.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY M. DOYLE,  
Guidance Director.

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## REPORT OF BOYS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION

To the Superintendent of Schools:

In accordance with one of the seven cardinal principles of education—worthy use of leisure time—the Physical Education Program has been set up to put all available time to best benefit the individual. We are endeavoring to have at the disposal of every boy, some physical activity which he can benefit from not only in school, but after he leaves school.

During the fall, the boys had their program out-of-doors and we stressed games in which everyone participated. Soccer, and speedball

took precedence over football because of the group participation rather than the individual.

After Thanksgiving the classes are held in-doors. Square dancing has been introduced to the junior high school groups. Badminton and volley-ball have been introduced, and every boy is familiar with the fundamentals.

The fundamentals of basketball are stressed during the Physical Education period.

A home and away series in basketball has been arranged with the Norfolk School.

Our aim is to give to each, and every boy, an equal opportunity to spend his leisure time beneficially, not only to himself, but to his fellow man.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD TAMULEVIZ.

Physical Education Instructor.

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## REPORT OF FOOTBALL

To the Superintendent of Schools:

For the second consecutive year Millis has been represented on the gridiron by an outstanding football squad which climaxed a successful season by soundly defeating Medway 41-19.

The team's fine play throughout the season despite an overwhelming number of injuries is a tribute to the ability of the individual players. Before the season even got underway Charles Harris was hampered with a broken leg and he was soon joined by his friend, Charles Thomas, who was lost for the year with several broken vertebrae in his back.

It would be difficult to single out individuals as outstanding for there were many whose play was excellent all through the season. Among the linemen the play of Richard Bayramshian, Michael Mushnick, Leon Moore, Paul Dmytryck, Donald Ackroyd, John Diggins, and Howard Ingraham was consistently outstanding.

At the depleted end slot George Smith and George Harris did yeoman work with George Harris proving himself to be one of the outstanding pass receivers as the season progressed.

In the backfield was a combination which might be ranked as the most talented in the history of Millis High. Edward Duhamel was likely the best punter in Massachusetts schoolboy circles; some of his kicks traveling 60 to 70 yards. Don Cox again displayed the talent which won him such acclaim as a junior. A great defensive player, he combined his open-field running with tremendous drive when short yardage was needed. Little Al Newell's blocking and running proved that a smaller boy can play outstanding football. At fullback was Billy Tate, who finished up his last year at Millis by again leading the team on and off the field. The defensive work of Don Dmytryck also was notable and in the coming years he should be a fine all-around performer.

The accomplishments of the boys were rewarded by the selection of Mike Mushnick, Dick Bayramshian, Howie Ingraham, George Harris, Ed Duhamel, and Don Cox being selected on the various All-Scholastic teams of the Boston Newspapers. Mike Mushnick was on everyone's All-Scholastic Team.

By graduation unfortunately will be lost many of those who made this a successful football year. Those graduating are Bill Tate, Dick Bayramshian, Charlie Harris, Mike Mushnick, Howie Ingraham, Don Cox, and Ed Duhamel.

The boys participating in football were:

William Tate, Co-captain	Russell Geyer
Richard Bayramshian, Co-capt.	George Harris
Michael Mushnick	George Smith
Donald Cox	Jon Margolis
Edward Duhamel	Manning Doliner
Howard Ingraham	Robert Santos
Charles Harris	Gary Casey
Louis Moore	Richard Gurner
Paul Dmytryck	Eugene Smith
Charles Thomas	William Rivers
Donald Dmytryck	Francis Judge
Alan Newell	John Ellington
Donald Ackroyd	John Clark
John Diggins	John Kubacki, Manager
Gerald Nirenberg	

My thanks to Ed Tamuleviz, whose tireless efforts at all times in behalf of the team I deeply appreciated.

To Mr. Harris and the Booster Club my sincere appreciation for the wonderful banquet and gifts for the boys and their support all during

the season.

I would also like to thank Dr. Zalvan both for his medical help and his interest in the team itself.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES PARSONS,  
Coach.

FOOTBALL SCORES

Millis		Opponent
31	Ayer	7
13	Northboro	0
13	Medfield	0
6	Westwood	6
0	Lynn Vocational	6
38	Leicester	0
13	Burlington	6
41	Medway	19
155		34

REPORT ON BASKETBALL

Millis had a very impressive season last year coming in third in the Dual County League. During the regular season we won ten and lost nine.

After the regular season we entered a tournament in Malton. We lost to Ayer by three points. This ended the season, ten wins and ten defeats.

The play of Donald Cox and Charles Harris was outstanding. Donald Cox was high scorer with 190 points. Donald Cox, a member of the state All-Star Team, selected by the coaches of the league, was awarded a gold basketball.

The following boys participated in basketball in 1971-1972

Richard Bayramshian

Alan Newell

Donald Cox  
 Charles Harris  
 Howard Ingraham  
 William Tate  
 George Frink  
 Louis Moore  
 Harold Olson  
 Thomas Williams  
 Edward Thatcher

George Smith  
 John Clark  
 Manning Doliner  
 George Harris  
 Edward Roak  
 Albert Gurner  
 George Lipsett  
 Edward Alger

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### REPORT ON BASEBALL

Millis had a very successful baseball season, winning nine games and losing only three.

The nucleus of the team comprised of one senior, seven juniors, and one sophomore. Millis ended in second place in the Tri-County League standings, a league of eight teams.

There were three outstanding features about the Millis team. One was Edward Alger's no-hit, no-run game against Hopedale that went nine innings ending 1-0. The defensive play of the Millis team was very impressive and Charles Harris' outstanding pitching was one of the main reasons for success of the Millis team.

Boys that participated in baseball for 1952 were:

Edward Roak  
 Albert Gurner  
 Edward Alger  
 Richard Bayramshian  
 Donald Cox  
 Edward Duhamel  
 Charles Harris  
 Howard Ingraham  
 William Tate  
 Charles Thomas  
 Russell Geyer

John Clark  
 George Frink  
 Manning Doliner  
 Louis Moore  
 Donald Ackroyd  
 Isaac Kramnick  
 Alan Newell  
 Gerald Nirenberg  
 George Smith  
 George Harris  
 Jon Margolis



## REPORT ON ELEMENTARY AND GIRLS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION

### To the Superintendent of Schools:

Physical Education is only one phase of the total educational program here in Millis. It is, however, a very necessary phase as it provides the child and youths with experience for healthier living, mental alertness and also should make each one able to conduct themselves in socially acceptable ways.

All these values are realized here at Millis through the following program:

The Physical Education program in the elementary school consists of one half-hour class a week which is held either in the gym or out on the playground. Their activities include modified athletic games, stunts and tumbling, folk and square dancing, and games of high and low organization. This year equipment including balls, footballs, baseball bat and softball, were given to each classroom to be used during recess and playground periods. It is hoped that in the future more time may be given to the elementary grades.

The girls in the Junior and Senior High School are given two forty minute periods per week of instruction and their program consists of field hockey, volley ball, badminton, basketball, stunts and tumbling, conditioning exercises, folk and square dancing and softball.

The inter-scholastic program consists of field hockey, basketball and softball. We also hope to have a badminton-volleyball tournament with Medfield this year.

With an eleven game schedule last year, the Girls' Basketball teams had a most successful season. For the first time in the history here at Millis, the first team schedule was completed without a loss and the second team came through with 7 wins and 4 losses.

The first team schedule and results were as follows:

1. Millis	37	Westwood	25
2. Millis	35	Hopedale	15
3. Millis	36	Plainville	18
4. Millis	28	Westwood	13
5. Millis	41	Medway	10
6. Millis	22	Medfield	19
7. Millis	23	Dover	13
8. Millis	32	Medfield	11
9. Millis	40	Plainville	17
10. Millis	38	Medway	22
11. Millis	38	Dover	17

Four Seniors that contributed greatly to the success of the first team were Captain Nancy Brodeur, Gerry Christian, Pat Kubacki and Becky Washer. They will be missed very much this season.

The following girls were on the 1951-52 teams:

**1st Team—11 Wins and 0 Defeats:**

Nancy Brodeur	Betty Cassidy
Gerry Christian	Mary O'Donnell
Pat Kubacki	Muriel Winiker
Becky Washer	Claire Lipsett
Louise Cassidy	Selva Patino

**2nd Team—7 Wins and 4 Losses:**

Elaine Christian	Hazel Lipsett
Elaine Barry	Carol Greene
Betty Smith	Virginia DuHamel
Marie Sokoloski	Kay Bison
Rae Carlson	Cynthia Simpson
Joanne Shannon	

In the spring, the Junior High School girls played two softball games with Norfolk winning both by large scores.

This fall, a hockey team was again formed and two games were played with Medfield. One game was won and the other was a loss.

Basketball practice was started in November and, after a few weeks of practice, 26 girls were chosen for the teams. With practice every afternoon, we are looking forward to another good season.

Respectfully submitted,

JOAN McKINSTRY,  
Physical Education Instructor.

# REPORT OF THE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

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Balance as of January 1, 1952		\$540.50
Basketball receipts	\$171.60	
Baseball receipts	00.00	
Football receipts	404.95	
Magazine subscriptions	180.35	
Minstrel Show	136.70	
		<hr/> \$993.60
		<hr/> \$1,434.10
Expenses:		
Basketball referees	\$211.00	
Baseball referees	76.00	
Football referees	180.00	
Bus Driver Fees	90.00	
Basketball shorts	3.10	
Timer and Whistles	7.70	
Phonograph records	14.46	
Dental expenses	19.00	
Trophies	45.75	
Letters	49.11	
Gold Basketballs	23.12	
Sweaters	181.18	
Tickets	11.50	
Baseball League Dues	10.00	
Athletic Night Speaker	25.00	
Principal's Association Dues	10.00	
Megaphone	31.50	
Repairing limer	3.00	
		<hr/> \$991.42
Balance as of January 1, 1953		<hr/> \$442.68

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

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### To the Superintendent of Schools:

At the close of each year, we take time to review our school health program and to attempt to improve or enlarge upon its various phases.

This last year several changes have been made in the state laws regarding our school children and in the examinations which are considered a necessary part of this health program.

Some of these changes have already been put into effect in our system; others which require the use of special testing machines will be effected as soon as the purchase or loan of this equipment can be arranged.

The first major change was in the school physical examination. In the past, each child in the system received an examination by the School Physician yearly. Under the new routine the children will be examined for entrance to Kindergarten and then again in grades 2-4-6-8-9-10-11-12. The spacing of the physical examination is up to the individual school systems as long as the span is not more than four years. Because of the Senior High School physical education program the Medical Department decided to continue the yearly examination on these pupils, so that the examination for this group will not be spaced. The Medical Department will continue to examine yearly any pupils felt to need a more frequent evaluation.

For several years we have invited the parents to be present for this health examination. Now it is hoped that throughout the state schools will attempt to have parents participate in this health appraisal. This past year 19 parents responded to this invitation and 30 pupils were examined and discussed with their parents.

In the fall Dr. Zalvan examined about 450 school children. On the whole, those examined were found to be in good health. Of the small group on whom defects were found, many are already under care and the rest are waiting for appointments at various clinics, etc.

Another change in school health laws requires that each child have a yearly vision test using the Massachusetts Vision Kit. Prior to this year many methods of eye testing were in use. We, in Millis, are fortunate to own this Kit, a gift of the Lion's Club several years ago. It has proved helpful in evaluating the visual needs of our children. Many are wearing glasses who were originally found to have vision difficulties at this school check.



Previously the method of testing hearing was optional; now it must be done with the Puretone Audiometer. At present this machine must be borrowed from the State Department of Public Health, and it is often difficult to arrange for its use because so many schools must share it. The purchase of one of these machines would prove very beneficial to the School Department. At present, with our crowded condition, most any type of hearing test is difficult to administer, and it is not possible to properly test all our children with the state machine in the time allotted to each school. Last year the hearing test was done with the old Audiometer and the parents of children failing the examination were notified so that corrective steps could be taken.

The Dental Clinic, sponsored by the Board of Health, has been held once a week during the school year. The X-Ray has been an available aid in the detection of cavities and in determining what period of dental treatment is needed. During the school year 33 Clinics were held and 211 children had dental X-Ray examinations. The Clinic results are as follows: 74 cleanings, 145 permanent teeth restored, also 40 permanent teeth were porcelain filled, 30 temporary teeth were filled, 8 permanent teeth extracted, 25 temporary teeth were extracted.

The work completed is chiefly on the grade school group. Because of time limitations it is impossible, at present, to carry this program into the upper classes. However, the need is very great in this age group and parents should make every effort to have routine dental care for these children.

The Norfolk County Hospital Mobile Unit X-Rayed all pupils in the Senior Class. Cafeteria workers and janitors were also done. A negative report was returned.

Last Spring 41 children were given physical examinations at the Pre-School Clinic. Because of our large enrollment two Clinics were scheduled so that only a few mothers and children were waiting at any given time. This proved to be a worthwhile change and will be continued at future Pre-School Clinics.

The annual toxoid clinics were held this year sponsored by the Board of Health and the Health Visiting Nurse. The triple toxoid (Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough) was given to any children being done for the first time. Twenty-three received this series. A booster was held for all children through Grade 6. The response to this Clinic was overwhelming and a total of 177 children received this triple booster. Another 12 children received Diphtheria and Tetanus boosters. As you can see, this represents quite a portion of our youngsters. Knowing that each year a group of children are boosted, this means that most of our children are receiving this protective injection.



There are many areas in school health where we would like to be able to offer more constructive help to parents. Whenever possible this assistance is given by us or else there is a referral to an organization or Clinic where this help may be obtained. Often times referrals are not entirely satisfactory, due to the loads which these facilities already are carrying and to the long waiting lists which they have. It is the need for these Clinics, special class groups, etc., which makes it difficult for parent, pupil, teacher and nurse alike to properly work with the youngster who has a handicap, whether it be speech, lack of muscular coordination, hearing or any other condition which effects his progress in school.

Communicable diseases were handled as they occurred. However, they do not present as much of a problem to the school as the child who is sent into school half sick with a cold or who is returned to school too early following illness and so is not ready to carry on the school schedule.

With this in mind the School Department has a ruling which requires that any child absent from school for three days for any reason must bring a certificate of good health with him when he returns to school. These certificates are not issued at school and it is up to the parent to see that the child has this slip when he returns. If the child does not have this slip it will be the parents' responsibility to arrange for his transportation home as the youngster will not be allowed to remain in school without it.

If a family physician attends the child for the illness he will give you this slip on request. If no physician saw the child, this certificate may be obtained from Dr. Zalvan at his office during office hours, but prior to the child's return to school.

Dr. Zalvan continued his periodic inspections of the school building and recommendations were made whenever it seemed advisable.

May I again express my thanks to all who helped make this report of health services to our children possible.

The teachers are always willing to assist in all our school programs and are quick to refer children to Dr. Zalvan or me for any illness or injury. The Directors of the Visiting Nurse Association give hours of their time to help me in any way they can at Clinics for the children. The Salvation Army, Lion's Club and Board of Health and others make special care available for those for whom assistance is needed.

This, therefore, is a report of parent, school, Visiting Nurse Association and town working for the welfare of all the children in our community.

I thank you for all again.

Respectfully submitted.

MYRTLE A. COLDWELL,  
School Nurse.

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### REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The Medical Department of the Mills Consolidated School has always endeavored to make the school health program as important as other fields in the school curricula. The health and welfare of the school child are constantly receiving more attention, and we are pleased to note that the latest ideas and regulations are now emphasizing principles which we have been carrying out for several years.

Our routine annual physical check-up screened 445 pupils of whom 67 were found to be free from any and all defects. The same abnormalities—tonsils, teeth, feet and posture—were again most prevalent, though we are happy to report that none were very serious and that all are receiving adequate attention, thanks to the cooperation of the parents. Athletic injuries could not keep our boys from having an excellent season, and all responded well to treatment. Again we found no contagion in the school thanks to the vigilance of our faculty and nurse. The school dental program continues to do excellent work in reducing and correcting one of the most common defects found in the school child. The sanitary inspections of the school revealed only minor defects that were readily attended to. We are again pleased to report favorably and enthusiastically on the progress of the cafeteria which continues to serve a well-rounded hot lunch at a very nominal cost.

I do indeed appreciate the assistance rendered by Miss Myrtle Coldwell, school nurse, and the faculty whose cooperation is so essential to our progress.

Respectfully submitted,

JACOB J. ZALVAN, M.D.,  
School Physician.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL DENTIST

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### To the Superintendent of Schools:

A very successful series of Dental Clinics was held this year for the period extending from September 1951 to June 1952. After complete examinations, notices were sent home stating the corrective work needed, and many parents elected to have this work done at the school clinics. Thirty-three clinics in all were held under the sponsorship of the Board of Health of Millis.

Two hundred eleven sets of X-rays were taken and the treatments completed in the clinics consisted of: 121 cleanings, 209 permanent teeth filled, 58 temporary teeth filled, 52 porcelain fillings, 33 extractions.

The X ray machine in the school has been of great value in the diagnosis and treatment of dental defects as found in the school children. We hope, in the near future to extend the use of the machine to the older students so as to cover the whole school. It would be nice to have a specially built darkroom, but this will have to wait for a new school, as there is no room for such a set-up at present.

I wish to extend my thanks to Miss Coldwell, the board of health and the school authorities for their assistance and co-operation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN L. BROWN, D.M.D.

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## REPORT OF HOME ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT

### To the Superintendent of Schools:

Home Economics today is constantly broadening its scope of subject matter as both an art and a science. Its main objective is to develop in the individual an appreciation of wholesome home life and an understanding of responsibilities and skills involved in Home Making. It is a means to building good foundations for happy and successful home and family life. This is achieved by approaching the subject through the pupils present needs and interests with the aim of improving her personality and enhancing her social adjustment.

Home Economics is flexible in nature. The myriad facts and principles learned today in the classroom, applied to complex situations in the future, will provide an invaluable aid to greater living.

Beginning with the sixth grade here in Millin, the aspect of Home Economics stressed is sewing. The girls are instructed in all of the elementary and basic stitches, both embroidery and those applied to garment construction. Each student is then required to make an apron by hand and a cotton skirt using the machine.

In the Junior High School the program is somewhat similar for both seventh and eighth grades, differing only in the more advanced approach by the eighth grade.

A unit in textiles is followed by good grooming, including personality and etiquette, and practical application of both is made by choosing fabrics and designs for a clothing project. At the present time the seventh grade is making pajamas and the eighth grade girls are working on cotton dresses.

This past year equipment for the foods classes was purchased, facilitating and improving the Cooking Program. Nutrition is discussed in correlation with the various foods prepared in class. Proper manners and table settings are also stressed.

Respectfully submitted,

JEANNE CURRIVAN

Home Economics Supervisor.

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## REPORT OF CAFETERIA

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The School Cafeteria Program is being conducted in much the same manner as in previous years, approximately the same number of children as last year are participating in both type A and type C lunches.

Every effort is being made to achieve a greater variety of main dishes and dessert in the menu pattern, and to obtain a higher lunch count.

Typical lunches served are the following:

Juice	Juice
Baked Ham	Tuna Salad Rolls
Mashed Potato	Corn
Butter or Peanut Butter Sandwich	Potato Chips
Brownies	Wax Beans
Milk	Cherry Cobbler
	Milk

About 380 students and teachers were served the traditional Thanksgiving dinner. Following is the menu:

Roast Turkey
Dressing
Gravy
Mashed Potato
Squash
Celery Sticks
Cranberry Sauce
Rolls and Butter
Macaroons
Milk

Respectfully submitted,

JEANNE CURRIVAN,  
Cafeteria Manager.

## CAFETERIA FINANCIAL REPORT

### Receipts

	Lunchroom Sales	Government Reimburse- ments
January	\$1,009.50	\$ 303.70
February	664.75	208.48
March	817.40	266.96
April	793.50	220.04
May	787.00	272.80
June	336.30	91.60
September	815.50	279.85
October	863.13	312.61
November	970.16	266.87
December	762.75	230.81
	<hr/> \$7,819.99	<hr/> \$2,453.72



			7,819.99
Total Receipts			<u>\$10,273.71</u>
Disbursements			
	Food	Labor	Other
January	\$ 985.07	\$ 250.00	\$ 7.59
February	797.24	150.00	6.45
March	867.30	200.00	14.31
April	645.72	200.00	26.46
May	802.08	200.00	4.10
June	208.68	100.00	
September	1,150.05	200.00	53.81
October	1,044.26	250.00	26.74
November	971.78	200.00	50.65
December	782.13	200.00	6.14
	<u>\$8,254.31</u>	<u>\$1,950.00</u>	<u>\$ 196.25</u>
			1,950.00
			8,254.31
Total Disbursements			<u>\$10,400.56</u>
Total Disbursements		\$10,400.56	
Total Receipts		10,273.71	
Balance		<u>— 126.85</u>	
Inventory		\$283.40	

### REPORT OF ART SUPERVISOR

#### To the Superintendent of Schools:

With the modern tendency for using art as a subject to tie together all school work, art teachers should be happy, except for the fact that with so much "art", technique might be neglected and poor work habits allowed to flourish. Once this is done, any efforts to counteract careless coloring, or incorrect visual thinking are useless.

Please realize, nowadays, that children should have their own methods of drawing and painting: these are charming, and naive. Years ago, adults forced the young to draw and paint in a grown up way, and they were not allowed to express themselves in any manner. Stereo-

typed copy work was the rule of the day, and creativeness unthought of in regard to education.

The modern art supervisor should be employed, often, as a consultant to help solve art problems arising in the school program. She may be asked to give advice and help in designing stage scenery for plays and musical pageants, window decorations, or projects integrating geography, history, or any other subject, even arithmetic.

While the art program may be employed so usefully and practically there are certain subjects that should be taught, such as figure drawing, perspective, ruling and measuring and the like.

Posters are made for various needs. Many room teachers have a perfect-mural in the process of being assembled in their room, continuously.

Children like a bright, neat, cheerful, school room, decorated with their own work. School is a happy place for them if they are allowed to participate in making their environment more attractive. Today, we realize that there is more to school than just the three R's. Each school subject helps to make the child a well rounded, better balanced individual, more and more fitted to cope with life.

The Poppy Poster Awards presented by Mrs. Laurence Mott from the American Legion Auxiliary on May 12, 1952:

#### First Group

1st Prize	Robert Young ,	Grade 4
2nd Prize	Tauna Aalto	Grade 5
3rd Prize	Edward Simpson	Grade 4
<b>Honorable Mention</b>		
1st	Franciline Braun	Grade 5
2nd	Putnam Powel	Grade 4
3rd	John Dean	Grade 5

#### Second Group

1st Prize	Stephen Cushman	Grade 8
2nd Prize	Karen Blom	Grade 7
3rd Prize	Jeannette Geyer	Grade 6
<b>Honorable Mention</b>		
1st	Myrna Casey	Grade 7
2nd	Cynthia Zalvan	Grade 6

Robert Young who won first prize in the regional contest has gone to Plymouth.

Stephen Cushman also won in the County Contest.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY WALLACE,  
Art Supervisor

### REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I herewith submit my report as Supervisor of Music.

The general program of music for the year for all grades was as follows:

- (1) Christmas Program (for parents)
- (2) Testing and classification of voices in January and follow up
- (3) Spring Festival (for parents)
- (4) Participation in the Massachusetts State Festival by the High School pupils)
- (5) Commencement Music (High School)

The specific aims for the year were:

- (1) Singing of note songs and note songs in one, two, three, and four parts
- (2) Development of a reading-readiness
- (3) Rhythms-developed in grades through:
  - Singing games and folk dances
  - Creative rhythms
  - Dramatizations of songs
  - Stepping, running and skipping to notes
- (4) Integration
  - Using music to add to the understanding of the
    - Social Studies
    - History
    - Geography
    - Arithmetic

The Christmas program was a pageant in one scene titled, "Christmas in Merrie England" which brought into play several unusual and old carols as "The Boar's Head", "The Roast Beef of Old England",

"The Holly and the Ivy" and some more familiar English carols such as "God Rest Ye Merrie Gentlemen" and "Good King Wenceslas". Old English customs were observed in the fanfare and procession of the bear's head and roast beef as well as the singing of the Waits. The pageant was colorful and instructive for all participating.

Millis High School was again represented by four pupils in the Massachusetts State Festival which was held at Springfield. These boys and girls were chosen to sing in a group of 300 others. Much fun, work and recreation were derived from the rehearsals and performance of this group and our boys and girls came home with a new perspective of music well-learned and well-sung.

With reference to the testing of voices, I should like to mention one class of 14 children, seventeen of whom were "uncertain" singers. This was a most unusual and challenging situation. We focused all our music attention in this grade on this problem. With the interest and help of the grade teacher, we were able to reduce the "uncertain" singers to about one-fourth. Some of these children, had they been neglected, could have been non-singers for the rest of their lives. It is so very important to catch and remedy this problem in the first three grades. Thus the reason for testing voices!

Every month a grade sheet of music plans is given to each teacher. In most cases, these have been carefully followed and the results have been gratifying.

Respectfully submitted,

ELEANOR D. EDWARDS,  
Music Supervisor.

## REPORT OF INDUSTRIAL ARTS DEPARTMENT

To the Superintendent of Schools:

For the year 1952 participation in Industrial Arts increased 8% in Millis High School over the preceding year of 1951. The following grades now come to shop: two sixth grades, two seventh grades, one eighth grade and a large percentage of the boys and girls in grades nine through twelve.

The sixth graders begin their experience by model building and then graduating into coping saw work and following patterns. Seventh



graders begin to use hand tools more extensively and follow through with their first assembly project. The eighth graders make a project together and each boy has his own when the year ends. The High School students select whatever they wish: hand woodworking, machine woodworking, metal working and leathercraft.

Through 1952, good workmanship has been the key to project making and to develop individual pride in accomplishments is a very high goal. We think that this is being attained through degrees for it is beginning to show dividends in the upper grades.

Our thanks for the help and guidance of our leaders, Mr. Roy and Mr. Brown, and all those friends who helped during the year to make success a reality.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD A. YOUNG,  
Industrial Arts Instructor.

## REPORT OF DRIVER EDUCATION

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The Driver Education Program in Millis High School has become one of the most popular since its inauguration in 1950. Almost all of the students who are 16 years of age or who will be 16 within a few months desire to partake of this opportunity. This program will prove one of the most beneficial of all of the studies pursued during one's high school education.

Some of the important things offered in the course are as follows: developing proper attitudes towards life and property in regards to the handling of the automobile; to operate the automobile properly, carefully and confidently; to accept responsibilities and be mindful of your own and others place in society; to respect authority and to impress safety as all drivers' business.

The school driving automobile is presented to the school through the courtesy of Fred C. Browne, Ford dealer in Walpole, Mass. It is equipped with dual controls, (double clutch and brake), one pair for the student and one pair for the instructor. The instructor may stop the car at any time. Our school car is shared with Medfield and is



rotated on a two week basis.

Students have both classroom and "on the road" instruction. When students have completed their training to the instructor's satisfaction, a Registry of Motor Vehicles Inspector examines them at the High School.

Those students who successfully received their license at the school during 1952 are as follows:

Charles Thomas	William Tate	Mary Maranjian
Cynthia Simpson	Carol Greene	Marie LaBounty
Claire Lipsett	Selva Patino	Louise Cassidy
Richard Bayramshian	Elena Costa	

The Driver Education car was again presented in November by Mr. Browne's son of Walpole. A presentation was held with the following men present:

Mr. Anthony Bonzonni, Assistant Registrar of Motor Vehicles  
 Mr. Eugene Fanning, Supervisor of Driver Education in Mass.  
 Mr. William Reardon, Chief Supervisor of Education Training  
 Mr. Alfred Little, Assistant Supervisor of Education Training  
 Mr. Michael Collins, Town of Millis Selectman  
 Mr. George C. Roy, Superintendent of Schools  
 Mr. Clyde F. Brown, Principal  
 Mr. John Gately, Chief of Police  
 Mr. Richard A. Young, Driver Training Instructor

Our appreciation is extended to Mr. Fred C. Browne of Walpole for making it possible for the use of our training car; to the Registry of Motor Vehicles for their fine cooperation; and to the members of the school faculty and interested townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD A. YOUNG,  
 Driver Training Instructor.

## REPORT OF EVENING PRACTICAL ARTS

To the Superintendent of Schools:

This year the Evening Practical Arts school has held two classes in tray painting which is proving very popular with the Millis women. One of these courses was held this spring and one in the fall.

The course in rug braiding that was started the end of last year continued into the first of this year, and was, by popular request, continued an extra five weeks.

We are planning courses for 1973, and anyone who has ideas about what courses should be offered should get in touch with one of the members of the Advisory Board, and, if they find there are enough people interested in this course, will endeavor to find an instructor for this class.

The Advisory Board wishes to thank all who have helped to make this program a success.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. KATHERINE O'ROURKE, Chairman  
MRS. RUTH WRIGHT, Secretary  
MRS. WILMAE THORNE

Advisory Board

## REPORT ON RECREATION PROGRAM

To the Citizens of Millis:

During the month of July, 1972, the Town sponsored a supervised recreational program for the children. Previous to this time the Town had conducted a swimming program, but no supervised playground activities.

This year, due to an increase in the appropriation, it was possible for the School Committee to plan and conduct a more extensive recreation program. The program consisted of swimming lessons for the first two weeks from 9:00 A. M. to 12:00 noon, and playground activities for the last two weeks from 10:00 A. M. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 P. M. to 4:00 P. M. The whole program was under the careful supervision of qualified personnel, Mrs. Florence Gilboy of Millis and Mr. Edward Charland of Medway.

The swimming project was conducted at Dug Pond in Natick. Approximately eighty children participated in this program. Many of the children received life saving, junior life saving, and swimmers' certificates. The children were most cooperative at all times making it possible for each to gain a great deal from the instructions given.

The playground activity program consisted of supervised team games, relays, and competitive sports for the older group; while the younger children had games, relays, coloring, and story hour. The play equipment and facilities at the Park were in constant use at all times. Approximately a hundred children took part in this program. This was the first time such a program has been conducted in the Town Park and we feel that we have profited from the experience. The following are recommendations made to us for the improvement of this part of the program. We are evaluating them and are trying to set up a program which in the future would be most beneficial for each child.

1. There should be an age limit similar to that set up by school programs. This would make it possible for all ages to get the **most out of the program.**
2. There should be a better time schedule. The time allotment of 9:00 A. M. to 12:00 noon, would seem more desirable. This is due to the fact that it became so warm in the afternoon that many children became over-tired or were discouraged from **returning altogether.**
3. There would be a need for more arts and crafts supplies in order **to conduct such classes for the older children.**

However, on the whole, the program was very successful. The children enjoyed all phases of it and were carefully supervised at all times as many parents observed upon visit to the swimming pool and the playground.

In the future, we hope to continue this program and in the light of recommendations made we hope to improve it. Sound forms of recreation help to make our children better citizens of tomorrow!

Respectfully submitted,

HUGH J. McCARTHY, JR., Chairman  
GERTRUDE WEINSTEIN, Secretary  
EARL H. MERKLE, Rec. Secretary  
ROBERT McDONOUGH, Member  
FREDERICK J. WELCH, Member

School Committee

**EXPENDITURES RECREATIONAL PROGRAM**

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Appropriated		\$480.00
Leo Bouillard	\$21.00	
Barbara McKenzie	21.00	
Ed Charland	140.00	
Florence Gilboy	140.00	
Arthur Watson	60.00	
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Lipsett Bros.	\$12.65	
Harris' Service Station	8.85	
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		\$403.50
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Balance		\$76.50

**REPORT OF THE  
FORTY-NINTH GRADUATION EXERCISES OF THE  
MILLIS HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1952**

**Wednesday Evening, June 11, 1952, 8 P. M.**

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**CLASS FLOWER  
CLASS COLORS  
CLASS MOTTO**

**Red Rose  
Rose and Silver**

**Thoughtfulness is the essence of friendship;  
Friendship is the essence of a happy life.**

**PROGRAM**

**Posting of Colors** **American Legion**

**Processional**

(The audience will please remain seated during the march)

**The Star Spangled Banner** **Key**

**Invocation** **Rev. Thomas Ferris**

**Salutation** **Gaines**

**School Chorus**

**Salutatory and Essay—**

**The Voting Age—A Vital Question** **Donald Walker Sharpe**

**Music—"You'll Never Walk Alone"** **Rodgers and Hammerstein**

**Mixed Glee Club**

**Class History** **Rebecca Joyce Washer**

**Class Prophecy** **Nancy Marie Brodeur**

**Music—"Stout-hearted Men"** **Romberg**

**School Chorus**

**Class Will** **James Thomas Power**

**Valedictory and Essay—**

**The Constitution—Its Historical Background** **Judith Anne Barrier**



**Presentation of Class Gift**

Judith Anne Barrier, President of the Senior Class

**Acceptance for the School**

Mary O'Donnell, President of the Junior Class

**Music—"The Halls of Ivy"**

Russell-Knight

School Chorus

**Presentation of the Balfour Award**

Mr. Frederick J. Welch, School Committee

**Presentation of the Fancher-Loomis Honorary Award for  
Excellence in the Sciences**

Mr. Paul Winkle, Financial Secretary of School Committee

**Presentation of Reader's Digest Award**

Mr. Henry M. Doyle, Assistant Principal

**Presentation of Harvard Book Award, given by the Harvard Club  
of Boston, sponsored by Mr. Peter H. Solomon**

Mr. Robert McDonough, School Committee

**Presentation of Good Citizenship Certificate**

Mr. George C. Roy, Superintendent of Schools

**Presentation of Ginnoble-Allen Thayer Club Award for Excellence  
in United States History**

Mr. Clyde F. Brown, Principal

**Presentation of American Legion Scholarship Award**

Mr. Gartner Rice, Commander, American Legion Post No. 262

**Presentation of Diplomas**

Mr. Hugh J. McCarthy, Jr., Chairman of School Committee

**School Song**

Thuringian Folk Song

**SCHOOL CHORUS**

Gray is the peaceful night;  
 Day's closing brings it nigh—  
 Crimson which streaks the sky  
 In radiant light.  
 Those are our colors dear  
 Though we in numbers few,  
 To them we will be true  
 When far or near.

Each year we work and strive  
 To keep our ideals high,  
 High as the distant sky  
 Each one alive.  
 Memories of happy hours,  
 Millis, thou school of ours,  
 Hear this our welcome lay  
 Crimson and Gray.

Words by Ruth Richardson, '20

Recessional

Retiring of Colors

American Legion

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### MILLIS HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING CLASS

June 11, 1952

**Magna Cum Laude**

Judith Anne Barrier

Donald Walker Sharpe

**Cum Laude**

Nancy Marie Brodeur

James Thomas Power

Rebecca Joyce Washer

Clark, David Andrew  
 Clark, William Raymond  
 Frink, Donald Wesley  
 Gurner, Albert Henry  
 LaCroix, Richard Alden  
 Lipsett, George Edward  
 Murphy, James William  
 Power, James Thomas  
 Roak, Edward Joseph  
 Sharpe, Donald Walker  
 Washer, Roderick Maurice

Barrier, Judith Anne  
 Brodeur, Nancy Marie  
 Burdows, Barbara Lorraine  
 Christian, Geraldine Frances  
 Kubacki, Patricia  
 Lipsett, Hazel Jane  
 Maranjian, Mary  
 Murphy, Patricia Ann  
 Murtagh, Jacquelin  
 Smith, Elizabeth Ann  
 Thatcher, Joan Theresa  
 Tabor, Joan Elaine  
 Washer, Rebecca Joyce

## REPORT OF THE SURVEY COMMITTEE

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### To: The Voters of Millis:

The Survey Committee would like to report that it has held several informative and interesting meetings since last May.

We invited several Committees and Department Heads to discuss their problems with us. Many of them did so, and we feel that the information given us by them has been a help, and will continue to be helpful to all of us to better understand the workings of the different Departments.

Our ultimate goal is to set up a long range plan which will try to eliminate the possibility of several major expenditures coming at the same time. We think that this can be accomplished by setting up the needed projects in the order of their importance and taking them up in turn.

We met with the Water Commissioners and after listening to their problems feel that a Hydraulic Survey Study as recommended by them would be a very sensible approach to solving their problems. This will enable them to set up a long range plan for their Department.

We had talks with several of the elected officials of the town and there seems to be a definite difference of opinion regarding the salaries of these officials. We have proposed in the Warrant that an Assistant Collector be appointed. This will relieve the Tax Collector and the Water Collector of some of these duties and give a greater amount of service to the Townspeople because the Assistant Collector and the Secretary to the Selectmen be the same person. This work can be done by one person at a saving to the townspeople.

We suggest that a Committee be appointed by the Moderator to further study and plan various town projects.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL L. MURPHY, Chairman

Survey Committee:

James F. Clark, Jr.  
William A. Flynn  
Morris Mael  
Raymond Simpson  
Charles A. Smith, Sr.  
Frank A. Royce, Sec.  
Daniel L. Murphy, Chairman





**WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING****COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Norfolk, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Millis in said County,

**GREETING:**

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Millis qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs to meet in the High School Auditorium in said Millis, on Monday the ninth day of February A.D. 1953, for the election of officers.

The polls to be open at 10:00 A.M. and close at 8:00 P.M., also on Monday February 16, 1953 at 7:30 P.M. in the School Auditorium for the Business Meeting, said Auditorium being in said Millis. Then and there to act on the following articles viz:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator for one year, a Town Clerk for one year, a Town Treasurer for one year, two Constables for one year, one Selectman for three years, one Member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years, two Members of the Planning Board for three years, one Assessor for three years, one School Committeeman for three years, one Trustee of Public Library for three years, one Park Commissioner for three years, one Sewer Commissioner for three years, one Water Commissioner for three years.

Article 2. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of law and order, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of seven (7) to act in making a general survey of all Town Departments and report on or before the next Annual Town Meeting or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$800.00 for the Library Department, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to establish the position of Town Office Clerk and appropriate a sum of money to be paid as salary in addition to that paid to said clerk by the selectmen. Said town office clerk to be bonded, to maintain regular daily office hours, to accept payment on behalf of the town water board and all other departments or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to amend the town by laws so that the Tax Collector may appoint as his deputy collector the Town Office Clerk. Whose position and duties have been authorized by the above article.

Article 8. To appropriate money for all necessary expenses, including a sum sufficient to pay all Town Officers' salaries.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1 775.00 for the salary of the Visiting Nurse for the year 1953; said appropriation is in no way to be construed as meaning that the Association has to furnish any free service to any category of public assistance or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the Tree Department or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tree Warden to work for the Tree Department and be paid on an hourly basis the Town to set the hourly rate of pay, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the use of the Board of Health, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for special repairs on such streets as are selected by the Massachusetts Highway Commission acting in conjunction with the State and County or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money said sum being the portion of the expense incurred and apportioned by the County Commissioners for the care and maintenance of Norfolk County Hospital or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Service Board, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to continue a Department for the furnishing of information, advice and assistance to veterans of World War II or other veterans as specified in Chapter 115 as inserted by Section 1 of Chapter 584 Acts of 1946 and that this Department headed by a Director of Veterans' Services be merged with that of Veterans' Agent and that the Selectmen make one appointment for the offices of Director of Veterans' Service and Veterans' Agent as allowed by Chapter 115 as amended and that said Director of Veterans' Services and Veterans' Agent shall report annually a list of cases handled, disbursements made and other activities. Said report to be printed in the Annual Town Report or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Stella M. Carter Cemetery Trust Fund of January 1952 or act in any manner relating thereto: \$100.00.

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Winthrop P. Mandell Cemetery Trust Fund of October 1952 or act in any manner relating thereto: \$100.00.

To see if the Town will vote to accept Mary Freda Proe Cemetery Trust Fund of October 1952 or act in any manner relating thereto: \$100.00.

To see if the Town will vote to accept the Theodore and Katherine Hansen Cemetery Trust Fund of November 1952 or act in any manner relating thereto: \$100.00.

To see if the Town will vote to accept the John Dmytryck Cemetery Trust Fund of December 1952, or act in any manner relating thereto: \$100.00.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the collection of disposal of garbage, this sum to be spent under the jurisdiction of the Health Department, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Lot and Grave account for the upkeep of the Cemetery or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for use of the Planning Board, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Adult Evening Practical Art courses, or take any action thereon.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 54 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 595 of the Acts of 1948 as amended, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Planning Board of five (5) members in the manner prescribed by Chapter 41 Section 81A of the General Laws and to provide that the present Planning Board continue to serve until the next annual Town Meeting at which meeting the Planning Board shall be elected in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41 Section 81A of the General Laws, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to appoint their own Water Registrar, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to sell or dispose of the remaining soft coal at the Pumping Station approximately 12 tons, or act in any manner relating thereto.



Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to extend a 6 inch water main on Spring Street on the Westerly side of Plain Street, a distance of approximately 1125 feet and to appropriate money for same or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to extend a 6 inch water main on Spring Street on the Easterly side of Plain Street to Village Street a distance of approximately 760 feet and to appropriate money for same or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to extend a 6 inch water main on Orchard Street a distance of approximately 2100 feet and to appropriate money for same or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to have a Hydraulic Analysis made of the entire water distribution system, including a master plan for all future extensions with an estimated cost of construction, divided by years to give an orderly plan for the Town to work from, together with a complete set of Rules and Regulations to govern all individuals and real estate developments and to appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to extend a 6 inch water main on Island Road, a distance of approximately 650 feet, and to appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to extend a 6 inch water main on Alma Road a distance of approximately 350 feet, and to appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to extend a 6 inch water main on Ridge Street, a distance of approximately 225 feet and to appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to extend an 8 inch water main from Farm Street, through Hammond Lane, Westerly on Main Street to Railroad Crossing, a distance of approximately



1050 feet, and to appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to extend an 8 inch water main from corner of Woodland Drive, Easterly on Main Street, a distance of approximately 500 feet, and to appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to extend an 8 inch water main from the intersection of Village and Main Street, Easterly on Main Street for a distance of approximately 750 feet, and to appropriate money for same, or act in manner relating thereto.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the suppression of Gypsy Moth and Brown Tail Moth and Elm Leaf Beetle, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to provide post quarters for the Millis Post No. 208, the American Legion, as provided under General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 9, as amended by Acts of 1922, Chapter 122, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 39. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Day, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to continue the committee appointed by the Moderator for the purpose of planning a Memorial to members of the Armed services who served in World War II, the committee to report at a future Town Meeting, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for supervised summer recreational program, or take any other action thereon.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$2,365.40 from the inactive road machinery account to the active road machinery account, to be used for Road Machinery purposes, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the overlay reserve a sum of money to be used for a reserve fund, or

act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 44. To see what disposition the Town will make of the money refunded by the county on account of dog licenses, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to direct the appointment of a Committee of five (5) citizens who in conjunction with the Planning Board will investigate the matter of zoning and building laws as applied to Millis and who will report to the next annual town meeting with recommendations based on their findings, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,250.12 said sum being the 1952 pension cost to the Town of Millis, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for the upkeep of the Town Clock, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the control of the Dutch Elm disease or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay unpaid Vocational Tuition bills of 1952 and appropriate a sum of money to pay anticipated bills for the year 1953 or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation or available funds in the treasury the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purpose of creating a Stabilization Fund in accordance with the provisions of Section 5B, Chapter 40, General Laws, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to transfer money of George Barden Fund to Evening Practical Arts Account, or take any action thereon.

Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of \$6,000.00 for the insurance account, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 53. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to paint all exterior painting surfaces of school building, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 54. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to retain an architect for the purpose of drawing pre-plans for an elementary school for presentation at a special town meeting, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 55. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the sewer system from Main Street, Easterly on Plain Street, towards Forest Road a distance of approximately 300 feet; determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 56. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to repair the sedimentation tanks at the sewerage disposal plant, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 57. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to extend the sewer system on Curve Street from Union Street towards Hollbrook Square, a distance of approximately 1200 feet; determine whether the money shall be provided for by taxation, by borrowing, or by appropriation from available funds in the treasury, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 58. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 to be used in addition to the post war fund of approximately \$6,500.00 already designated by the Town, to renovate, remodel and repair the town office building, in accordance with architect Phillips' original plans approved by the Town Office Building Committee, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 59. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Sewer Commissioners to appoint one of their members to the position of Superintendent of Sewers and to fix his salary, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4A, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 60. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to appoint their own clerks of their board and appro-

appropriate a sum of money for same or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 61. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay unpaid bills of 1952 Police Department, as follows:

Watson & Stockbridge, Inc.	\$ 46.21
Charles A. Smith & Co.	1.39
L. C. Smith & Corona Typewriter Co.	31.32
Town Pharmacy	3.60
New England Tel. & Tel.	.46
New England Tel. & Tel.	34.85
T. J. Cassidy	30.00
T. J. Norton	37.50
J. F. Sullivan	38.75
H. J. Cassidy	53.00
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	\$277.11

or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 62. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of \$750.00 for the purchase of fire hose or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 63. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for the purchase of an Emerson resuscitator or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 64. To see if the Town will vote to amend Paragraph 2 Section 5 of the Protective By-Laws to read as follows:

Any dwelling hereafter erected in any district shall be located on a lot having a frontage of not less than 100 ft. on a street or way provided that one dwelling may be erected on a lot having a lesser frontage where said lot existed at the time of this By-Law is adopted and did not adjoin other land of the same owner available in connection with said lot or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 65. To see if the Town will vote to add to the present Protective By-Law as follows:



No building lot shall contain less than 15,000 sq. ft. of area excepting where said lot existed at the time this By-Law shall become effective or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 66. To see if the Town will vote to replace the 1949 G.M.C. Dump Truck by the purchase of a new truck and the allowance on the old truck to be applied against the purchase price, appropriate money for same, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 67. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the cash balance from various departments into general cash, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 68. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction and Maintenance or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 69. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury a sum of money for Chapter 81 Highway Construction and Maintenance or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 70. To see if the Town will vote to accept from William S. Taylor of Causeway Street, Millis, a small piece of land adjoining Prospect Hill Cemetery, on the West side of the main entrance on Ridge Street; this land to be restricted to beautification purposes only or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 71. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to clear a larger area of Richardson's meadow to improve skating conditions or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 72. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$33.40 to reimburse the Millis Visiting Nurse for that part of her 1951 salary which was appropriated but inadvertently not billed to the Town in that year or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 73. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2500.00 to build and maintain adequate swimming facilities of Southend Pond or act in any manner relating thereto.



Article 74. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 to build a road from Orchard Street to Southend Pond a distance of 2147 feet so that the townspeople will have access to the pond for swimming and fishing purposes, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 75. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,000 for the continuation of sidewalk on Main Street or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 76. To see if the Town will vote to accept a report of the Board of Selectmen relative to the acceptance of a relocation and widening of Bridge Street as shown on a plan entitled, "Plan Showing Relocation and Widening of Bridge Street, Millis, Mass. from Main Street to Dover Street, Scale 1" = 40'" dated June 20, 1952, Kenneth E. McIntyre, Registered Civil Engineer and Registered Land Surveyor, and to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$400.00 for same or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 77. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 624, Section 5 of the Acts of 1952, or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 78. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for Dental Health Clinic under the jurisdiction of the Board of Health or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 79. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Civil Defense or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 80. To see if the Town will vote to take the sum of \$40,000.00 from available funds for the purpose of its being used to reduce the direct 1953 tax rate.

Article 81. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to be used for a Reserve Fund or act in any manner relating thereto.

Article 82. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1953 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

And you are hereby directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies hereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by the vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon, at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-third day of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-three.

MORRIS MUSHNICK

MICHAEL E. COLLINS

HORACE V. BALKAM

*Selectmen of Millis.*



A True Copy. Attest:





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